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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 ON TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2015 ON PAGE 187]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THE APRIL 28 MEETING OF THE LOS  
7 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL COME TO ORDER.

8 [GAVEL.] WE WILL FIRST BE LED IN PRAYER BY PASTOR STEVE BAKER,  
9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GRACE RESOURCE CENTER IN ANTELOPE  
10 VALLEY. AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY RAMON  
11 RODRIGUEZ, COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR UNITED STATES ARMY RETIRED.  
12 AND HE WILL LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. SO IF THE  
13 AUDIENCE WOULD PLEASE STAND. PASTOR?

14

15 **PASTOR STEVE BAKER:** IT'S SUCH AN HONOR TO BE WITH YOU TODAY  
16 REPRESENTING THE NORTHERN TIP OF L.A. COUNTY, THE ANTELOPE  
17 VALLEY. IT'S JUST GREAT TO BE HERE AND RUB HEARTS FOR A  
18 MOMENT. LET'S PRAY. GOD, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE  
19 HERE, TO BE WITH GOOD FRIENDS, SOME OLD AND SOME NEW. THANK  
20 YOU FOR THE PURPOSE THAT WE COME TOGETHER I THANK YOU FOR OUR  
21 LEADERS AND OUR COUNTY AND THE GREAT WORK THEY DO ON OUR  
22 BEHALF. I JUST PRAY YOU WOULD GIVE US YOUR STRENGTH AND YOUR  
23 GUIDANCE, YOUR HEALING TOUCH. GIVE US WISDOM AS CHOICES ARE  
24 MADE. BE WITH US THIS DAY. BLESS EVERYONE AS THEY TRAVELED

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1 HERE AND GOING HOME. WE PRAY FOR A DAY THAT WOULD BE HONORING  
2 OF YOU. IN YOUR NAME WE PRAY, AMEN. THANK YOU.

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4 **RAMON RODRIGUEZ:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE AT  
5 THIS TIME. VETERANS A SHARP SALUTE, CIVILIANS RIGHT HAND OVER  
6 YOUR HEART AND REPEAT AFTER ME. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
7 RECITED.] THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PASTOR STEVE BAKER IS A NAVY VETERAN  
10 WHO LIVED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR THE PAST 55 YEARS. HE WAS  
11 FOUNDING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GRACE RESOURCES EMERGENCY  
12 FOOD DISTRIBUTION AND EMERGENCY CENTER IN THE VALLEY ALSO  
13 OPERATING THE COMMUNITY CENTER. HE'S BEEN DEVOTED TO HELPING  
14 THE HOMELESS, NEAR HOMELESS AND WORKING POOR. HE DOES  
15 EVERYTHING TO HELP THE LOCAL VETERANS WHO ARE IN NEED. HE'S  
16 ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN GRACE CHAPEL, LANCASTER SUNRISE ROTARY,  
17 ANTELOPE VALLEY Y.M.C.A., THE ANTELOPE VALLEY CHRISTIAN  
18 MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION AND VOLUNTEER CHAPLAIN AT THE  
19 LANCASTER SHERIFF'S STATION. PASTOR, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]  
20 SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IT  
23 IS MY PLEASURE TO GIVE A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO A GOOD  
24 FRIEND. I THINK THIS IS HIS THIRD OR FOURTH TIME TAKING TIME  
25 OUT OF HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF



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1 ALLEGIANCE. MR. RAMON RODRIGUEZ FROM LONG BEACH. HE'S A FORMER  
2 COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR IN THE UNITES STATES ARMY. HE SERVED IN  
3 THE ARMY FROM 1960 TO 1983 AND IS A RECIPIENT OF NUMEROUS  
4 AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS INCLUDING THE SILVER STAR WITH A TWO  
5 OAK LEAF CLUSTER AS WELL AS THE PURPLE HEART WITH A FOUR OAK  
6 LEAF CLUSTER. HE HAS TWO SONS AND ONE DAUGHTER. HE HAS LIVED  
7 IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT FOR NEARLY 70 YEARS. SO ON BEHALF OF  
8 MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, I WANT TO THANK HIM FOR TAKING THE  
9 TIME TO FOR LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE AND MORE IMPORTANTLY TO HIS  
10 SERVICE TO AMERICA AND GOD BLESS YOU, BUDDY. [APPLAUSE.]

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12 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND  
13 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN ON PRESENTATIONS AND SET  
14 MATTERS ON PAGE 4. ON ITEM IS S-1, THE SHERIFF REQUESTED THIS  
15 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MAY 5, 2015. ON ITEM S-2, SUPERVISOR  
16 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO  
17 MAY 5, 2015. ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL  
18 PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEMS 1-P AND 2-P, ON THESE  
19 ITEMS A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THEY BE  
20 HELD. ON PAGE 7, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6, ON ITEM  
21 NO. 5 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO  
22 MAY 26, 2015. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
23 THAT REQUEST THAT IT BE HELD. SO THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR  
24 HEARING. ON PAGE 9, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF  
25 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 7 THROUGH 28, ON ITEM NO. 7, THIS INCLUDES

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1 THE ADDITIONS AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM  
2 12, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON  
3 ITEM 17, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
4 HELD. ON ITEM NO. 21, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM  
5 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 12, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 26, A  
6 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM  
7 NO. 28, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST  
8 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF  
9 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU. THAT WAS 28.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS,  
12 SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 15, CONSENT  
15 CALENDAR, ITEMS 29 THROUGH 41, ON ITEMS NO. 29 AND 30, A  
16 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM  
17 33, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON  
18 ITEM 34, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
19 HELD. ON ITEM NO. 35, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS  
20 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 12, 2015. ON ITEM  
21 NO. 37, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.  
22 ON ITEM NO. 38, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE  
23 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 38, THIS  
24 INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.  
25 ON ITEM NO. 39, THE SHERIFF REQUESTS THE CORRECTIVE ACTION

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1 PLAN ONLY BE CONTINUED TO MAY 26, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 40, THIS  
2 INCLUDES THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND REGISTRAR-  
3 RECORDER/ COUNTY CLERK'S RECOMMENDATION AS POSTED ON THE  
4 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
5 AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEM 41,  
6 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD AND THE  
7 REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE, SECOND WITHOUT  
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 21, DISCUSSION  
13 ITEMS, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
14 CONTINUED TO JUNE 30, 2015. ON PAGE 22, MISCELLANEOUS  
15 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS  
16 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
17 AGENDA, ITEM 43-A IS BEFORE YOU.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SOLIS, SECOND WITHOUT  
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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22 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON 43-B. SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
23 REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 5, 2015.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECOND  
2    WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4    **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON PAGE 25, NOTICES OF  
5    CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS-3, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST  
6    THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD AND THIS ALSO INCLUDES ITEMS CS-4 AS  
7    POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND THAT COMPLETES THE  
8    READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS  
9    BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 4.

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11    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS IS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF A  
12    VERY SAD EVENT THAT TOOK PLACE IN ARMENIA 100 YEARS AGO. TODAY  
13    IS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. THE  
14    CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY IS MARKED WITH THE PURPLE FORGET-ME-NOT  
15    FLOWER. THE FIVE PURPLE PETAL CELLS REPRESENTS THE FIVE  
16    CONTINENTS WHERE THE ARMENIAN REFUGEES FORMED THEIR ARMENIAN  
17    DIASPORA. DUE TO THE HORRIBLE TRAGEDY THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY  
18    AND THE WORLD IS COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT THOSE WHO HAVE  
19    DIED DUE TO HUMAN RIGHTS ATROCITIES ARE NEVER FORGOTTEN BY  
20    DEDICATING APRIL 28TH AS A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE ARMENIAN  
21    GENOCIDE. THESE ATROCITIES COMMITTED AGAINST THE ARMENIANS,  
22    LOS ANGELES COUNTY ONCE AGAIN DEMONSTRATES ITS SENSITIVITY TO  
23    THE NEED FOR CONSTANT VIGILANCE TO PREVENT SIMILAR EVENTS IN  
24    THE FUTURE. ARMENIA TODAY IS A FREE COUNTRY, AND I HAD THE  
25    OPPORTUNITY OF BEING IN ARMENIA TO OVERSEE THE FIRST ELECTIONS

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1 THAT WERE HELD WHERE THEY WERE ABLE TO ELECT THEIR OWN LEADERS  
2 INSTEAD OF THE SOVIET UNION PICKING THEIR LEADERS. LOS ANGELES  
3 COUNTY IS HOME TO THE LARGEST POPULATIONS OF ARMENIANS. THEY  
4 HAVE ENRICHED OUR COUNTY THROUGH THEIR LEADERSHIP IN THE  
5 FIELDS OF BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE, ACADEMIA, GOVERNMENT,  
6 MEDICINE AND THE ARTS. A WAY OF PRESERVING THIS GENOCIDE  
7 MEMORY IS TO PRESENT TO US A DOCUMENTARY CALLED "GRANDMA'S  
8 TATTOOED" BY SUZANNE CARTIAN. IT'S A VERY REVEALING FILM  
9 CAPTURING THE TORTURE AND INHUMANITY OF WOMEN FACING THE  
10 GENOCIDE WHO WERE TATTOOED, PLACED INTO PROSTITUTION AND OTHER  
11 INHUMANITIES. ALSO TO COMMEMORATE THE CENTENNIAL, MY OFFICE IS  
12 CURRENTLY HOSTING THE MONTH LONG INTERACTIVE PUBLIC ART  
13 DISPLAY IN GRAND PARK. HOW MANY IN THE AUDIENCE HAVE SEEN THAT  
14 ART DISPLAY? THESE ARE THE SURVIVORS OF THAT GENOCIDE. IT IS  
15 GOING TO BE IN THE GRAND PARK FOR THE NEXT FOUR WEEKS. 100,000  
16 PEOPLE EACH WEEK GO THROUGH THE GRAND PARK. THAT MEANS 400,000  
17 WILL BE ABLE TO SEE THAT. WE KNOW EVERYBODY WHO HAS SEEN IT  
18 WILL TELL THEIR FRIENDS. WE HOPE TO HAVE THAT NUMBER DOUBLED.  
19 TITLED "EYEWITNESS" THE DISPLAY FEATURES A NETWORK OF TOWERING  
20 PHOTOGRAPHIC SCULPTURES WRAPPED WITH MASSIVE PORTRAITS OF  
21 EYEWITNESS SURVIVORS OF THE GENOCIDE. THEY RANGE IN HEIGHT  
22 FROM 8 TO 15 FEET. CONCEIVED AND CONSTRUCTED BY ARTIST  
23 AROSHAGAN AND LAVAN BAVARIAN, AND ARCHITECT BOJAN TOMASIAN.  
24 EYEWITNESSES TO THE FIRST PUBLIC ART DISPLAY IN OUR BEAUTIFUL  
25 GRAND PARK. VISITORS CAN WALK AMONG THESE LARGER THAN LIFE

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1 SCULPTORS TO REFLECT ON THE MESSAGE AND THE TURKISH  
2 GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUED DENIAL OF THAT GENOCIDE. MOST OF THE  
3 MEN AND WOMEN SURVIVORS WHO ARE PORTRAYED ARE SOUTHERN  
4 CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS WHO IMMIGRATED TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
5 THEY HONOR THE 1.5 MILLION VICTIMS OF THE GENOCIDE AND TELL  
6 THE PERSONAL STORIES OF SURVIVORS, FIRSTHAND EYEWITNESSES TO  
7 ONE OF THE WORST ATROCITIES, SOME CALL IT THE FIRST JIHAD IN  
8 THE 20TH CENTURY. TODAY WE HAVE WITH US ARCHBISHOP VIKIN  
9 VICILLIAN OF THE WESTERN DIOCESE, PRIEST FATHER AND  
10 [INAUDIBLE] I'LL MESS THAT UP BUT KEEP MY HONORARY ARMENIAN IN  
11 PLACE. MEMBERS OF THE ARMENIAN COUNCIL OF AMERICA, EYEWITNESS  
12 ARTISTS ELAN ASTARIAN OF A.M.C. AND S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. MY  
13 DEPUTY SENT ME THIS. IT'S VERY TELLING. AND I'D JUST LIKE TO  
14 READ THIS. "WHILE THE VICTIMS OF THE CRIME RELY ON  
15 INVESTIGATIONS AND THE AVAILABLE EVIDENCE TO SEEK JUSTICE THE  
16 VICTIMS OF THE PERPETUATORS KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT THE CRIME BUT  
17 PERPETUATORS RARELY ADMIT IT. THUS ARMENIANS AND THE TURKISH  
18 GOVERNMENT KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT THESE CRIMES BUT TURKEY IS  
19 REFUSING TO ADMIT IT. WHY, THEN, HAVE SOME TURKISH SOLDIERS  
20 ADMITTED TO PARTICIPATING IN THE SYSTEMATIC PERSECUTION OF  
21 ARMENIANS WHILE ON THEIR DEATH BEDS? WHY THEN DOES ARMENIA  
22 HAVE LAWS ON ITS BOOKS BY THREATEN THEIR OWN PEOPLE BY  
23 IMPRISONMENT IF THEY SO UTTER WORD 'GENOCIDE'? AND THEN WHY  
24 THEN WERE THESE COUNTRIES' WOMEN HERDED TO THE DESERT AND  
25 RAPED AND PILLAGED BY THE TURKISH SOLDIERS IF THIS WAS NOT



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1    STARTED BY ARMENIANS OR THE TURKS? WHY THEN DO THE ARMENIANS  
2    HAVE FIRSTHAND ACCOUNTS OF THE MASSACRES PERPETUATED AGAINST  
3    THEM BY THE TURKS?" 23 NATIONS, 23 NATIONS AND OUR POPE  
4    FRANCIS HAVE PROCLAIMED THIS A GENOCIDE. AND TWO OF TURKEY'S  
5    TWO LARGEST TRADING PARTNERS: FRANCE AND GERMANY, ARE  
6    PROCLAIMING IT A GENOCIDE AND IT'S TIME THAT WE ALSO CALL IT A  
7    GENOCIDE. AGAIN WE HAVE A FIVE-SIGNATURE REQUEST MOTION ON THE  
8    BOARD. SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS IS THE COAUTHOR ASKING THE  
9    PRESIDENT TO CALL THIS A GENOCIDE. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE  
10   REMEMBER THIS. AND HOW I WOULD LIKE TO INSURE THAT WE HAVE  
11   THESE PROCLAMATIONS IN PLACE. I'D LIKE TO HAVE OUR FIRST  
12   SPEAKER, CONSUL GENERAL. THE CONSUL GENERAL. GOD BLESS. WE  
13   JUST SAT TOGETHER AT THE GLENDALE CEREMONY ON SUNDAY.

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15   **SPEAKER:** RIGHT.

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17   **SPEAKER:** HONORABLE SUPERVISOR MIKE ANTONOVICH, HONORABLE  
18   MEMBERS OF THE SUPERVISOR BOARD, DEAR COMPATRIOTS AND LADIES  
19   AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S REALLY AN HONOR FOR ME TO BE HERE TODAY.  
20   AS THE BOARD OF L.A. SUPERVISORS MARKS AND OBSERVES THE  
21   CENTENNIAL OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. EVEN 100 YEARS LATER, THE  
22   ARMENIAN GENOCIDE STILL REMAINS NOT UNIVERSALLY RECOGNIZED,  
23   NOT PROPERLY ACKNOWLEDGED AND AFFIRMED BY THE INTERNATIONAL  
24   COMMUNITY. THAT IS WHY NOT BEING TIMELY RECOGNIZED IT PAVED  
25   THE WAY FOR OTHER ACTS OF GENOCIDE. IF THE UNANIMOUS SUPPORT

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1 THAT HAS BEEN DISPLAYED THOSE DAYS IN ARMENIA AND IN  
2 [INAUDIBLE] AND AMONG THE PROGRESSIVE HUMANITY, THE ACTS OF  
3 GENOCIDE THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE AFTER THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE  
4 WOULDN'T HAVE TAKEN PLACE. I WOULD LIKE TO USE THIS  
5 OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS ON THE BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THE  
6 REPUBLIC OF ARMENNIA AND ALL ARMENIANS OUR DEEP GRATITUDE TO  
7 ALL OUR FRIENDS, TO ALL THOSE COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY TO THE  
8 AMERICAN PEOPLE THAT EXTENDED THE GENEROUS SUPPORT IMMEDIATELY  
9 IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE BY SAVING HUNDREDS  
10 OF THOUSANDS LIVES OR THE SURVIVORS OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE.  
11 THEY NOW ARE RESIDING EVERYWHERE IN THE UNITED STATES. AND BY  
12 RESIDING HERE, THEY WITH GREAT EFFORT, HAD THEIR OWN INPUT AND  
13 CONTRIBUTION TO THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL LIFE OF  
14 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, I REALLY STAND PROUD HERE. I  
15 WANT TO SAY THAT THE CORNERSTONE OF OUR RECOGNITION OF THE  
16 ARMENIAN GENOCIDE INTERNATIONAL PROCESS ARE FIRST OF ALL  
17 PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF 1-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE INNOCENT  
18 VICTIMS OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. THE SECOND QUARTER IS  
19 EXPRESSING OUR DEEP GRATITUDE TO ALL THOSE THAT EXTENDED THE  
20 HAND OF SUPPORT TO THE SURVIVORS OF THE GENOCIDE WHO ACTUALLY  
21 GAVE SHELTER TO ALL THOSE PEOPLE THAT NOT ONLY SURVIVED BUT  
22 ALSO ARE RESIDING IN EVERY COUNTRY AND WE ARE PROUD OF THIS.  
23 THE THIRD ONE IS ACTUALLY THE PREVENTION OF THE GENOCIDE  
24 BECAUSE WE STAND AT THE FOREFRONT AND WE ASSIGN OURSELVES TO  
25 THE PROGRESSIVE HUMANITY TO FIGHT ANY ACT OF GENOCIDE TAKING

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1 PLACE AGAINST ANY PEOPLE IN ANY CORNER OF THE WORLD. AND THE  
2 FOURTH CORNERSTONE IS ACTUALLY THE REBIRTH OF ARMENIA. THAT IS  
3 WHY THE ISSUE OF AR ARMENIAN GENOCIDE IS ON THE POLITICAL  
4 AGENDA OF THE PEOPLE OF ARMENIA. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU,  
5 AGAIN, HONORABLE MIKE ANTONOVICH FOR THIS OBSERVANCE BECAUSE  
6 THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT NOT ONLY FOR ARMENIANS BUT ALSO ALL OF  
7 HUMANITY. THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND NOW I'D LIKE TO CALL FATHER  
10 [INAUDIBLE].

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12 **SPEAKER:** DEAR MEMBERS OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COUNTY OF LOS  
13 ANGELES, DEAR COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND GREAT CITY OF LOS ANGELES,  
14 FIRST, ALLOW ME TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION ON BEHALF OF OUR  
15 COMMUNITY FOR BEING THERE NEXT TO US, WALKING NEXT TO US AND  
16 RECOGNIZING THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. A FEW DAYS AGO, A NON-  
17 ARMENIAN FRIEND ASKED ME, "WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO TALK  
18 ABOUT THIS AFTER 100 YEARS? IT WAS SO LONG AGO." AND I SAID IT  
19 STARTED 100 YEARS AGO, BUT IT'S STILL ACTIVE BECAUSE THE  
20 EIGHTH AND FINAL STAGE OF GENOCIDE IS DENIAL. IT MEANS THAT  
21 THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE NEVER STOPPED. IT'S STILL ACTIVE. IT  
22 MEANS THAT EVERY TIME WE SAY "NEVER AGAIN", THESE ARE VERY  
23 POWERFUL WORDS. BUT UNFORTUNATELY THESE WORDS ARE BECOMING  
24 JUST WORDS. BECAUSE AFTER ARMENIAN GENOCIDE, THERE HAVE BEEN  
25 OTHER GENOCIDES HOLLOCAUST, CAMBODIA, RWANDA, BOSNIA, DARFUR,



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1 AND TODAY ON THE SAME TERRITORY WHERE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF  
2 ARMENIANS HAVE BEEN KILLED IN THE DESERT OF SYRIA, THERE'S  
3 ANOTHER GENOCIDE TODAY COMMITTED. AND WE STILL SAY "NEVER  
4 AGAIN." THIS GENOCIDE IS A CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY, NOT AGAINST  
5 ARMENIANS. NOT AGAINST JEWS. NOT AGAINST RWANDANS BUT EVERY  
6 SINGLE HUMAN BEING. AND MY CHALLENGE TODAY IS NOT JUST TO  
7 RECOGNIZE THE PAST GENOCIDES BUT TO REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT  
8 THIS "NEVER AGAIN" MEANS AND THEN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.  
9 SOMETIMES WE THINK IT'S POLITICS. SOMETIMES WE THINK IT'S FOR  
10 PERSONAL GAIN. IT IS FOR PERSONAL GAIN. BECAUSE FOR HUMAN  
11 BEINGS, THE ONLY PERSONAL GAIN IS TO REMAIN HUMAN BEING. AND  
12 AS HUMAN BEINGS TODAY, IT'S VERY LITTLE TO RECOGNIZE THE PAST  
13 GENOCIDE. TODAY, WE CAN BECOME THE VOICE OF THOSE WHO DON'T  
14 HAVE THE VOICE, THE LUXURY OF RAISING THEIR VOICE. TODAY AS  
15 HUMAN BEINGS, WE SHOULD RAISE OUR HANDS AND LOOK STRAIGHT INTO  
16 THE EYES OF EVIL AND SAY "NEVER AGAIN" AND MEAN IT.  
17 [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FATHER?

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21 **SPEAKER:** WORDS OF GRATITUDE FROM ARCHBISHOP TO SUPERVISOR  
22 ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE JOIN YOU IN  
23 SPIRIT WITH GRATEFUL HEART AS YOU HAVE ONCE AGAIN INVITED OUR  
24 COMMUNITY TO JOIN YOU IN PROCLAIMING APRIL 28TH AS THE DAY OF  
25 REMEMBRANCE FOR THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE OF 1915-1923. WE THANK

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1 YOU FOR TAKING YOUR TIME EACH YEAR FOR HONORING THE MEMORY OF  
2 OUR MARTYRS AND EXPRESS YOUR SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT FOR OUR  
3 JUST CAUSE. THE ARMENIAN PEOPLE HAVE FOUGHT FOR DECADES TO  
4 BRING UNIVERSAL RECOGNITION OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE AND  
5 OVERDUE JUSTICE FOR THIS MASSIVE LOSS OF LIFE, LAND AND  
6 PROPERTY. WE HAVE ACHIEVED GREAT STRIDES. MORE SO THAN EVER  
7 DURING THIS CENTENNIAL YEAR WHAT WE ARE WITNESS AND CONTINUE  
8 TO WITNESS UNPRECEDENTED WORLDWIDE EXPOSURE AND SUPPORT IN  
9 THIS PAST WEEK, OUR FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS HAVE  
10 BEEN A CONSTANT PRESENCE AT OUR COMMEMORATIONS, AND THERE HAVE  
11 BEEN SOME OF OUR MOST VOCAL ADVOCATES THAT INCLUDES OUR DEAR  
12 FRIENDS OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WE ARE STRENGTHENED AND  
13 RESUMED HAVING YOU ON OUR SIDE THE SIDE OF TRUTH AND JUSTICE.  
14 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ONCE AGAIN WE THANK YOU FOR TODAY AND  
15 WE THANK YOU ALSO FOR THE REMARKABLE EYEWITNESS ART  
16 INSTALLATION WHICH WILL CERTAINLY BRING GREAT ATTENTION TO THE  
17 REALITY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE AND TURKEY'S CONTINUED DENIAL  
18 AND DISTORTION OF HISTORY. WE TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS  
19 OUR GRATITUDE TO YOU FOR YOUR MANY YEARS OF GENUINE LEADERSHIP  
20 AND STAUNCH SUPPORT TO THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE AND  
21 TO ME PERSONALLY. YOU HAVE BEEN BY OUR SIDE SINCE DAY ONE. AND  
22 FOR THAT, WE ARE ETERNALLY GRATEFUL. WE COMMEND AND  
23 CONGRATULATE YOU ALSO FOR DECADES OF DEDICATED AND MERITORIOUS  
24 SERVICE TO OUR FELLOW CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. MAY THE  
25 GOOD LORD KEEP YOU IN HIS LOVING CARE AND BLESS YOU WITH MANY

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1 MORE YEARS OF GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS SURROUNDED BY THE LOVE  
2 OF YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL WITH GOOD  
3 HEALTH AND BRING YOU GREAT SUCCESS IN YOUR NOBLE MISSION AS  
4 GUARDIANS OF PUBLIC INTEREST. PRAYERFULLY, ARCHBISHOP  
5 [INAUDIBLE] UNITED STATES. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL ON THE CO-AUTHOR OF  
8 THIS MOTION, SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS. 130,000 ARMENIANS AND  
9 FRIENDS OF ARMENIANS MARCHED ON WILSHIRE BOULEVARD THIS PAST  
10 WEEK WITH NO DISTURBANCES, NO PROPERTY DAMAGE, ALL IN PEACE.  
11 AND IT WAS A REMARKABLE DEMONSTRATION THAT WE CAN ALL BE PROUD  
12 OF BECAUSE THEY WERE DEMONSTRATING AGAINST THE GENOCIDE THAT  
13 OCCURRED AND RESPECTING THE PRIVATE PROPERTY ALONG THE WAY OF  
14 THAT WALK. 130,000 PEOPLE. REMARKABLE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.  
15 [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I JUST WANTED TO COMMEND THE  
18 ARMENIAN COMMUNITY. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE ARMENIAN TO STAND BY  
19 THIS CAUSE AND REALLY REFLECT ON THE 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF  
20 THE GENOCIDE. ANY ASSAULT ON HUMANITY IS AN ASSAULT ON ALL OF  
21 US. I WAS VERY PROUD TO BE THERE FRIDAY WITH OVER 100,000  
22 PEOPLE WHO MARCHED WHO CAME FROM ALL OVER CALIFORNIA TO HELP  
23 COMMEMORATE THOSE MARTYRS AND PEOPLE THAT GAVE THEIR LIVES AND  
24 FOLKS THAT ARE STILL SEEKING REPARATIONS. I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT  
25 THAT IS TO YOU. I WAS ALSO HAPPY TO BE IN MONTEBELLO WHERE

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1 THEY HAD A CEREMONY OF 1,000 PEOPLE THAT CAME TO THE SAN  
2 GABRIEL VALLEY. I SALUTE YOU. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO WHAT WE  
3 CAN. I WANT TO COMMEND THE MAYOR BECAUSE WE DID SIGN A LETTER  
4 SIGNED BY ALL FIVE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS TO THE PRESIDENT OF  
5 THE UNITED STATES URGING HIM TO ALSO RECOGNIZE THIS SPECIAL  
6 OCCASION THAT WE KNOW HAS TO BE CORRECTED IN OUR HISTORY  
7 BOOKS. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO, BECAUSE THIS WAS THE FIRST ART  
10 DISPLAY, I WOULD MOVE ALSO, MOVE FORWARD TO HAVE A PLAQUE IN  
11 THE GRAND PARK THAT COMMEMORATES THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THIS  
12 SAD OCCASION. AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I WILL COAUTHOR THAT IN  
13 THE MOTION WITH THE FIVE-SIGNATURE TO THE PRESIDENT. SO LET'S  
14 TAKE A PICTURE. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW, WE HAVE FROM CROATIA, THE  
17 HONORABLE GORDON MARAS, WHO IS THE MINISTER ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
18 AND CRAFTS WHICH ARE LIKE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. HE'S A NATIVE  
19 OF ZAGREB AND GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB WHERE HE  
20 RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN BUSINESS ECONOMICS. HE BEGAN  
21 HIS POLITICAL CAREER IN 1997 WHEN HE JOINED THE SOCIAL  
22 DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF CROATIA, BECAME VICE PRESIDENT OF THE  
23 COMMITTEE OF FINANCE AND STATE BUDGET OF THE CROATIAN  
24 PARLIAMENT IN 2008 AND IN 2009 AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIAL  
25 DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN CROATIA. WE WANT TO WELCOME HIM TO LOS

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1 ANGELES COUNTY. WE'RE VERY PLEASED THAT THE NEW PRESIDENT, SHE  
2 WAS HERE MANY TIMES, SHE WAS THE CROATIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE  
3 UNITED STATES AND THEN WENT TO NATO BEFORE BEING THEN ELECTED  
4 PRESIDENT OF CROATIA. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF HER. SO, CONSUL,  
5 MINISTER? [APPLAUSE.] AND THIS IS THE NEW CONSUL GENERAL FOR  
6 CROATIA.

7

8 **GORDON MARAS:** HONORABLE MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF THE  
9 BOARDS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS GREAT HONOR FOR ME TO  
10 RECEIVE THIS SCROLL. AND IN ONE WAY IT'S PERSONAL OBLIGATION  
11 FOR THE FUTURE TO WORK ON EVEN BETTER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN  
12 PEOPLE OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES  
17 AND GENTLEMEN. IT'S LIKE TO CALL UP ANTHONY DUARTE, SCHOOL  
18 BOARD PRESIDENT, THE HACIENDA-LA PUENTE SCHOOL DISTRICT,  
19 SUPERINTENDENT CYNTHIA POWERLAN COLFER, LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL  
20 PRINCIPAL SHELLY MCREYNOLDS, ANDREW FORMANO, LOS ALTOS HIGH  
21 SCHOOL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, HEAD COACH CHRIS COLEMAN AND THE  
22 2014-15 LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS WATER POLO TEAM CHAMPIONS  
23 C.I.F. DIVISION 5. [APPLAUSE.] WE WERE ABLE TO TALK WITH THEM  
24 UPSTAIRS THIS MORNING AND REMIND THEM WHAT A GREAT SEASON THEY  
25 HAD. THEY FINISHED THE REGULAR SEASON WITH A 22-7 RECORD AND A



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1 9-1 RECORD IN THE HACIENDA LEAGUE IN WHICH THEY WERE CO-CHAMPS  
2 ALONG WITH CHARTER OAK. LED BY A SENIOR FIELD TEAM AND A  
3 STELLAR SOPHOMORE WHO WAS THE HACIENDA LEAGUE M.V.P. AND  
4 C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION DIVISION 5 M.V.P., THE GIRLS FINISHED  
5 THE SEASON AS THE DIVISION 5 CHAMPIONS OF THE C.I.F. WITH A  
6 VICTORY OVER PALM DESERT HIGH SCHOOL 8-7. THEIR FEAT MARKS THE  
7 FIRST-EVER CHAMPIONSHIP IN GIRLS WATER POLO IN SCHOOL HISTORY  
8 FOR THE LADY CONQUERORS. THEIR SUCCESS IN WATER POLO SHOULD  
9 NOT BE OVERSHADOWED OWED BY THEIR TEAM AVERAGE G.P.A. OF 3.74.  
10 [APPLAUSE.] AND IT GETS EVEN BETTER WITH GIRLS ENTERING THE  
11 AIR FORCE ACADEMY, HARVEY MUDD, OREGON STATE, MOUNT ST.  
12 MARY'S, LA VERNE, CAL STATE LOS ANGELES AS WELL AS BEING  
13 ACCEPTED TO U.C.L.A., U.C. SANTA BARBARA, U.C. IRVINE,  
14 WHITTIER AND U.C. SAN DIEGO. WE GOT SOME STELLAR SCHOLAR  
15 ATHLETES UP HERE. [APPLAUSE.] THE COACHING STAFF'S TIME AND  
16 EFFORT IN AND OUT OF THE WATER TRULY PAID OFF WITH THEM ALSO  
17 WINNING THE COACHES OF THE YEAR HONORS. THE TEAM ENDURED  
18 CONSISTENT EARLY MORNING AND AFTERNOON PRACTICES, ELITE  
19 TOURNAMENTS IN SAN DIEGO AND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY ALL LEADING TO  
20 AN INCREDIBLE SEASON IN THE C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION DIVISION 5  
21 CHAMPIONSHIP. SO ON BEHALF OF MY, MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES AND  
22 THE 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY, WE APPRECIATE  
23 YOU KNOCKED OFF RIVERSIDE COUNTY FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP.  
24 [LAUGHTER.] WE WANT TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS AND A JOB WELL  
25 DONE. LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR  
3 HAVING LOS ALTOS COME OUT HERE TODAY. WHAT A GREAT DAY TO BE A  
4 CONQUEROR ONCE AGAIN TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR OUR ACHIEVEMENT. AND  
5 I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT MR. KNABE AND HIS STAFF WITH A GIFT  
6 FROM THE TEAM THANKING THEM FOR THEIR SUPPORT FOR OUR SUCCESS  
7 IN THE WATER BY HELPING US BUILD A GREAT FACILITY AT LOS ALTOS  
8 AND FOR THE H.L.P. U.S. SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE YEARS AGO AND  
9 WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU AND THANK YOU ALL FOR RECOGNIZING LOS  
10 ALTOS CONQUERORS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** NEXT I'D LIKE TO ASK OUR CONSUMER BUSINESS AFFAIRS  
13 BRIAN STIGER TO JOIN ME ALONG WITH HIS STAFF. AND TODAY THE  
14 BOARD IS PROCLAIMING MAY 3RD THROUGH THE 9TH AS SMALL BUSINESS  
15 WEEK THROUGHOUT ALL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS EFFORT IS A  
16 PART OF THE COORDINATED NATIONAL CAMPAIGN THAT REALLY  
17 RECOGNIZES THE CRITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF ENTREPRENEURS AS WELL  
18 AS SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS. A VIBRANT ECONOMY REQUIRES AN  
19 ENTREPRENEURS AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS HAVE ACCESS TO STARTUP  
20 ASSISTANCE AND BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES. AND IN LOS ANGELES  
21 COUNTY, THESE VALUABLE RESOURCES ARE PROVIDED BY OUR  
22 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS. SO WE SUPPORT  
23 NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK AND ALL OF YOU KNOW ABOUT 65  
24 PERCENT OF ALL NEW JOBS CREATED ARE THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF  
25 SMALL BUSINESS. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE

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1 WANT TO OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZE BRIAN AND HIS STAFF FOR THE JOB  
2 THAT THEY DO EACH AND EVERY DAY, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY IN HONOR  
3 OF SMALL BUSINESS WEEK HERE NOT ONLY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUT  
4 THE STATE AND THE NATION.

5

6 **BRIAN STIGER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THE  
7 BOARD FOR THIS PROCLAMATION IN CELEBRATION AND RECOGNITION OF  
8 NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK. SMALL BUSINESSES AS THE  
9 SUPERVISOR SAID, ARE VITAL TO OUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, JOB  
10 CREATION AND ALSO PROVIDING ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR CONSUMERS  
11 IN THE MARKETPLACE. THANKS TO THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS BOARD, WE  
12 HAVE A DEDICATED GROUP OF PROFESSIONALS BEHIND ME THAT ARE  
13 READY, WILLING AND ABLE TO HELP SMALL BUSINESSES EITHER GET  
14 LICENSES AND PERMITS IN THE COUNTY, TO HELP THEM CONTRACT AND  
15 SELL PRODUCTS TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND WE'RE VERY  
16 PROUD OF OUR SMALL BUSINESSES. NEXT WEEK IS NATIONAL SMALL  
17 BUSINESS WEEK. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF EVENTS PLANNED. WE HOPE  
18 THAT THE PUBLIC AND THE BUSINESS COMES OUT AND JOIN US YOU CAN  
19 FIND THE EVENTS AT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.DCBA.LACOUNTY.GOV](http://WWW.DCBA.LACOUNTY.GOV). THANK  
20 YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE THE COUNTY GREEN  
23 LEADERSHIP AWARDS. TODAY WE'RE RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF  
24 THE 2015 GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARDS WHICH WERE CREATED IN 2008 BY  
25 OUR LEADERSHIP GREEN COMMITTEE AWARDING ENCOURAGING

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1 ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP. THE FIRST CHAIR LEADERSHIP AWARD  
2 GOES TO TOM TINDALL FOR HIS OUTSTANDING DEMONSTRATION AND  
3 COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT AND INSPIRING OTHERS  
4 TO TAKE ACTION. THIS YEAR'S AWARD TO TOM, WHO SERVED AS  
5 DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY'S INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT FROM  
6 2008-2013, ESTABLISHED A ROAD MAP FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CIVILITY  
7 AND CREATING THE COUNTY'S FIRST OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY,  
8 CHARGING THE STAFF TO FOCUS ON GREEN INITIATIVES. HIS  
9 COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT HAS EXPANDED  
10 SUSTAINABILITY IN THE COUNTY'S CULTURE AND WE WANT TO  
11 CONGRATULATE TOM, ALSO RETIRED COLONEL FROM THE UNITED STATES  
12 AIR FORCE. [APPLAUSE.]

13  
14 **TOM TINDALL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, THANK YOU, BOARD OF  
15 SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR OUR  
16 COUNTY'S SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO AT LEAST  
17 ACKNOWLEDGE TWO VERY KEY PEOPLE THAT REALLY DID THE HEAVY  
18 LIFTING IN THIS EFFORT, AND THAT'S JIM JONES, WHO IS THE  
19 CURRENT DIRECTOR OF I.S.D. AND HOWARD CHOY, WHO IS THE GENERAL  
20 MANAGER OF OUR COUNTY OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY. THANK YOU VERY  
21 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

22  
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE BUSINESS CATEGORY, ARMSTRONG  
24 INDUSTRIES, THEY RECEIVED THIS FOR THEIR FOUR RECYCLING AND  
25 WASTE REDUCTION PROGRAMS. RECEIVING THE AWARD WILL BE JAMES

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1 WEED. ANNUALLY ARMSTRONG INDUSTRIES PRODUCES MILLIONS OF TILE  
2 AND FOREIGN PRODUCTS IN THE SOUTH GATE PLANT. PART OF THEIR  
3 SHARE TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT, THE MANAGEMENT, RESEARCH  
4 STARTED A RECYCLING PROGRAM FOR THE VINYL COMPOSITION TILE. SO  
5 WE WANT TO THANK YOU. WHERE IS HILDA? FOR THE PUBLIC AGENCY,  
6 IT'S THE LOS ANGELES RURAL AIRPORTS FOR THEIR HARVEST FOOD  
7 DONATION PROGRAM AND CAROLYN LYNN IS GOING TO RECEIVE FOR  
8 L.A.W.A. THEIR DONATION PROGRAM GOAL IS TO ELIMINATE FOOD  
9 WASTE FOR DONATING EXCESS FOOD TO THE LOCAL FOOD BANK AND  
10 LOCAL NONPROFITS TO HELP FIGHT HUNGER IN THE COUNTY OF LOS  
11 ANGELES. SINCE 2012, THEY HAVE GIVEN OVER 178,000 FOOD ITEMS  
12 AND EQUIVALENT TO 87,500 POUNDS OF FOOD WHICH HAVE BEEN  
13 DONATED. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SPEAKER:** THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION IS THEODORE PAYNE  
16 FOUNDATION WHICH IS LISA NOVAC AND KITTY CONNELLY WILL BE  
17 RECEIVING THIS FOUNDATION AWARD. SINCE THE EARLY 1900S, THE  
18 THEODORE PAYNE FOUNDATION HAS BEEN DEDICATED TO INCREASING  
19 PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING, PRESERVATION AND USE OF NATIVE CALIFORNI  
20 FLORA. AS CALIFORNIA WEATHER IS IN SEVERE DROUGHT, WE COMMEND  
21 THE PAYNE FOUNDATION FOR TEACHING RESIDENTS THE BENEFITS OF  
22 SAVING WATER AND ENERGY WITH AND THROUGH THEIR LANDSCAPING FOR  
23 RESILIENCE PROJECT. OKAY. IF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
24 DEPARTMENT IS RECEIVING THE AWARD. AND WITH US IS CHIEF  
25 MCDONALD. OKAY. TERRY'S REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT. THEY'RE

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1 RECEIVING THIS FOR THE PITCHESS DETENTION CENTER'S MATERIAL  
2 RECLAMATION PROJECT. THE RECLAMATION PROJECT HAS REDUCED THE  
3 NUMBER OF RECYCLABLE ITEMS ENDING UP IN LANDFILLS AND REDUCING  
4 THE COST OF TRANSPORTING WASTE TO THE LANDFILL. ON BEHALF OF  
5 THE BOARD WE COMMEND THE SHERIFF, JIM MCDONNELL, AND THE  
6 PITCHESS DETENTION CENTER STAFF FOR THE EFFECTIVE  
7 ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP IN THE MATERIALS RECLAMATION PROJECT.  
8 [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE'LL GIVE YOU AN ARMSTRONG  
11 PROCLAMATION BECAUSE ARMSTRONG TOOK YOUR PROCLAMATION. WE'LL  
12 GET IT CORRECTED. FOR THE RESIDENT CATEGORY THE 2311 FORESTRY  
13 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION IS GOING LED BY PHIL SILVER, FOURTH  
14 STREET HOMEOWNER CONDO PROJECT. AND THEIR AWARD IS BECAUSE OF  
15 CONSERVING ENERGY THAT DROVE THE 61-UNIT HOUSING COMPLEX IN  
16 SANTA MONICA TO DEVELOP EFFECTIVE ENERGY CONSERVATION  
17 PROGRAMS. NOW WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE RECIPIENTS OF THE  
18 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES' ENRICHMENT PLUS  
19 AWARDS. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY WE WANTED TO RECOGNIZE OUR  
20 YOUNG PEOPLE FOR DOING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND ENCOURAGE  
21 THEM TO CONTINUE THEIR STUDIES SO THAT THEY WILL BE THE  
22 LEADERS OF TOMORROW. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN WITH BEST ACADEMIC  
23 ACHIEVEMENT IS RICHARD ALLEN CHAVEZ. FOR MOST IMPROVED  
24 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT IN THE PROGRAM IS MARK SALAS. THIS IS NOT  
25 MARK. MARK'S NOT HERE. THEY'RE ALSO GETTING A \$50 GIFT CARD



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1 FROM BARNES & NOBLE. THANK THEM FOR MAKING THAT DONATION. MOST  
2 IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, VANESSA DA PAZ AYANA.  
3 [APPLAUSE.] VANESSA'S NOT HERE. FOR THE MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC  
4 ACHIEVEMENT. YEMET GARCIA. NOT HERE. FOR MOST IMPROVED  
5 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT YVLIA SARELI. THERE WE GO. ONE. FOR MOST  
6 IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, MARIO ANGEL VERIL. [APPLAUSE.]  
7 I INVITE SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO COME UP WITH THIS ONE. CONNOR  
8 MCNAIRE FOR THE BEST ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT ENRICHMENT AWARD.  
9 [APPLAUSE.] FOR MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, SHARON  
10 LEMANTE. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **PHILIP BROWNING:** MR. MAYOR AND BOARD, I WANT TO SAY ON BEHALF  
13 OF THE THOUSANDS OF SOCIAL WORKERS AND THE 36,000 CHILDREN FOR  
14 WHOM WE HAVE RESPONSIBILITY, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR  
15 RECOGNIZING THESE INDIVIDUALS TODAY. WE HAVE MANY CHILDREN WHO  
16 ARE IN GRADES 1 THROUGH 12 THAT ARE REALLY DEMONSTRATING AN  
17 AWFUL LOT OF HARD WORK. THESE ARE JUST A FEW OF THEM. I WANT  
18 TO INVITE ALL OF YOU FOR A CELEBRATION THAT WE'LL HAVE AT THE  
19 WALT DISNEY HALL NEXT MONTH WHERE WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE 175  
20 OUTSTANDING SENIORS WHO ARE FOSTER YOUTH THAT ARE GETTING  
21 HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF SCHOLARSHIPS TO GO  
22 TO COLLEGES ALL ACROSS AMERICA. SO THIS IS JUST ONE OF THE  
23 GROUPS. AND I HOPE YOU'LL GIVE THEM ANOTHER ROUND OF APPLAUSE.  
24 SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BECAUSE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WE  
2    WERE ALL IN WASHINGTON, D.C. MEETING WITH THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH  
3    AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, WE DIDN'T HAVE AN ADOPTION LAST WEEK,  
4    SO WE HAVE TWO TODAY. ONE IS CUCUMBER, HE'S A NEUTERED MALE,  
5    DOXY-CORGI MIX. THREE YEARS OLD AND SOPHIA, WHO IS A LONG  
6    HAIRED CHIHUAHUA, SIX MONTHS OLD. THIS IS THE LITTLE  
7    CHIHUAHUA. AND THIS IS THE LITTLE DOXY MIX. YOU CAN CALL 562-  
8    728-4610. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

9

10   **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I'M PRIVILEGED TODAY TO BE  
11   ABLE TO INTRODUCE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS A LONGTIME  
12   FRIEND THAT I'VE INVITED TO COME UP TO RECEIVE A RECOGNITION.  
13   HER NAME IS MISS BELINDA VALLES FAUSTINOS. SHE REPRESENTS THE  
14   SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS FOREVER. AND I'M SO HAPPY SHE'S JOINING  
15   ME HERE TODAY AS ONE OF MY FIRST ACTS TO HELP RECOGNIZE  
16   SOMEONE WHO'S BEEN SO COURAGEOUS AND WORKED SO HARD FOR MANY,  
17   MANY YEARS TO HELP CLEAN UP OUR ENVIRONMENT AND PROTECT THE  
18   HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF SO MANY PEOPLE THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES  
19   COUNTY. HER LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVISM IS WELL KNOWN THROUGHOUT  
20   THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. SHE'S A NATIVE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.  
21   SHE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN OUR VERY OWN EAST L.A., CALIFORNIA.  
22   SHE OBTAINED HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM PITZER COLLEGE IN  
23   CLAREMONT AND OVER THE YEARS SHE'S PARTICIPATED IN SO MANY  
24   CIVIC AND PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ACTIVITIES. SHE  
25   HAS SERVED AS CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSIONER, THE CHAIR OF

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1 THE URBAN COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD  
2 AND THE COCHAIR OF THE AMERICAN LATINO HERITAGE EXPERT  
3 SCHOLARS PANEL. SHE'S ALSO FORMALLY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF  
4 THE RIVER AND MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY, AN ENTITY THAT I HELPED  
5 TO CREATE SOME YEARS AGO IN THE LEGISLATURE AND I'M SO PROUD  
6 OF HER WORK ON BEHALF OF SO MANY PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN  
7 TOUCHED. SHE CURRENTLY SERVES AS THE CHAIR OF THE SAN GABRIEL  
8 MOUNTAINS FOREVER, THE COALITION WHICH WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR  
9 PROMOTING THE DESIGNATION OF THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS AS A  
10 NATIONAL MONUMENT. AND I APPLAUD HER FOR THAT WORK, SOMETHING  
11 THAT WE WORKED ON ALSO BACK IN WASHINGTON D.C. WHEN I WAS A  
12 MEMBER OF CONGRESS AND GLAD TO SEE THAT THE PRESIDENT SIGNED  
13 THAT INTO LAW, EXECUTIVE ORDER. INSPIRED BY HER CHILDHOOD  
14 DURING PICNICS AT LINCOLN PARK WHERE HER FATHER WOULD TAKE HER  
15 AND SHE WOULD GO ON OUTINGS, BUT SHE REMEMBERED ALWAYS  
16 WHATEVER SHE BROUGHT, SHE WAS GOING TO TAKE BACK HOME. SO SHE  
17 DIDN'T LEAVE HER TRASH THERE. SOMETHING THAT WE ALL KNOW VERY  
18 WELL. SHE HAS REMAINED COMMITTED TO PRESERVING AND PROTECTING  
19 OUR COUNTY AND OUR STATE AND NATIONAL PARKS AND FORESTS. AND  
20 WE WILL CONTINUE TO HONOR HER AND HER FATHER BECAUSE THE  
21 SIMPLE LESSON WAS: IT'S YOUR PARK AND YOU NEED TO KEEP IT  
22 CLEAN. THEREFORE, TODAY WE CELEBRATE EARTH DAY IN LOS ANGELES  
23 COUNTY AND WE'D LIKE FOR ALL OF YOU TO JOIN US IN CELEBRATION  
24 OF CONGRATULATING MISS BELINDA VALLES FAUSTINOS FOR HER  
25 EXTRAORDINARY COMMITMENT ON PROTECTING OUR LAND USE AND THE

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1 ENVIRONMENT. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, I'D LIKE TO  
2 INVITE AND MARILYN KAMIMURA AND MS REBECA OVERMYER-VELAZQUEZ  
3 FROM THE CLEAN AIR COALITION OF NORTH WHITTIER AND AVOCADO  
4 HEIGHTS TO JOIN ME. TODAY WE'RE HONORING MISS KAMIMURA AND  
5 MISS VELAZQUEZ FROM THE CLEAN AIR COALITION OF NORTH WHITTIER  
6 AND AVOCADO HEIGHTS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP, ACTIVISM AND LONG  
7 TIME COMMITMENT TO DEFENDING THE ENVIRONMENT AND QUALITY OF  
8 LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY. MISS KAMIMURA AN WAS BORN IN HONOLULU,  
9 HAWAII AND WAS RELOCATED TO NORTH WHITTIER IN 1971. FOR OVER  
10 40 YEARS, SHE HAS VOLUNTEERED IN DIFFERENT CAPACITIES, LOCAL  
11 COMMUNITY GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS. THROUGH HER LONG-TIME  
12 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, SHE BECAME AWARE THAT NORTH WHITTIER  
13 WAS OVERBURDENED BY ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION, SOMETHING THAT WE  
14 ALL KNOW VERY MUCH ABOUT IN THIS SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. IN 2006,  
15 SHE JOINED FORCES WITH HER NEIGHBOR, MISS REBECCA VELAZQUEZ  
16 AND RECRUITED OTHER LOCAL NEIGHBORS TO EDUCATE AND ORGANIZE  
17 EACH OTHER ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES IN THEIR COMMUNITY.  
18 IN 2012, THEY OFFICIALLY FORMED THE CLEAN AIR COALITION OF  
19 NORTH WHITTIER AND AVOCADO HEIGHTS. AND AS AN OFFICIAL  
20 ORGANIZATION, THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO ADVOCATE FOR THEIR  
21 COMMUNITY, FOR THE VOICELESS ON BEHALF OF THOSE COMMUNITIES  
22 THERE IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY TO FIGHT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL  
23 JUSTICE ISSUES AND TO ALSO EXPLAIN TO THE COMMUNITY A BETTER  
24 UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TO WORK WITH GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES.  
25 THEREFORE, TODAY AS WE CELEBRATE EARTH DAY IN LOS ANGELES

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1 COUNTY, I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE BOTH MARILYN KAMIMURA AND MRS.  
2 OVERMYER-VELAZQUEZ FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN ADVANCING QUALITY  
3 OF LIFE, AGENCY TRANSPARENCY AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE THROUGH  
4 THE CLEAN AIR COALITION OF NORTH WHITTIER AND AVOCADO HEIGHTS.  
5 AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO ALSO COMMEMORATE NEIGHBORS FROM THE  
6 NORTH WHITTIER NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH AVOCADO HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD  
7 ASSOCIATION TO JOIN ME HERE IN THIS PRESENTATION. TODAY WE'RE  
8 HONORING RUBEN HERNANDEZ AND BOARD MEMBERS DANIEL PEREZ AND  
9 JOSE PEREZ FOR THEIR CONTINUED BEAUTIFICATION OF THE SAN JOSE  
10 CREEK AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO EARTH DAY. MR. HERNANDEZ WAS  
11 BORN IN GUADALAJARA MEXICO AND RELOCATED TO NORTH WHITTIER IN  
12 1984. WITH A SMALL GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS, HE FOUNDED THE  
13 NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUP OVER 26 YEARS AGO. OVER TIME, THIS  
14 GROUP HAS FOSTERED A COMMUNITY OF FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS THAT  
15 KEEPS EACH AND EVERYONE INFORMED AND ALSO TO DISCUSS  
16 NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY AND PREVENT CRIME. ONE SATURDAY EVERY YEAR  
17 FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS, THE NORTH WHITTIER NEIGHBORHOOD  
18 WATCH, AVOCADO HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION HAS ACTIVELY RECRUITED  
19 VOLUNTEERS FROM ALL OVER LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO HELP  
20 BEAUTIFICATION EFFORTS IN SAN JOSE CREEK. THE VOLUNTEERS BRING  
21 TRASH BAGS, BUCKETS AND TOGETHER WALK ALONG THE CREEK PICKING  
22 UP TRASH AND RAISING AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF SPENDING  
23 TIME OUTSIDE. THEREFORE, TODAY WE CELEBRATE EARTH DAY IN LOS  
24 ANGELES COUNTY. I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE MR. RUBEN HERNANDEZ AND  
25 BOARD MEMBERS DANIEL PEREZ AND JOSE PEREZ WHO ARE HERE ON

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1 BEHALF OF THE NORTH WHITTIER NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH AVOCADO  
2 HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION IN THEIR EFFORTS TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES  
3 CLEAN AND SAFE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] MR. MAYOR, I  
4 NOW WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD TO HELP ME RECOGNIZE AMERICA  
5 LOPEZ AND PENELOPE LOPEZ TO JOIN ME AT THE DAIS. THEY ARE TWIN  
6 SISTERS FROM MY DISTRICT WHO HAVE CONQUERED THE DIGITAL DIVIDE  
7 AS HIGH TECH INNOVATORS. EARLIER THIS YEAR THEY WON A TOP  
8 PRIZE IN THE WOMEN TECH CHALLENGE AT THE A.T.&T. DEVELOPERS  
9 SUMMIT. THE SUMMIT WAS HELD AT THE CONSUMER ELECTRONICS SHOW  
10 IN LAS VEGAS, WHICH IS A GLOBAL INDUSTRY SHOWCASE ATTENDED BY  
11 LEADERS FROM ALL MAJOR HIGH TECH FIRMS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.  
12 AMERICA AND PENELOPE'S WINNING ENTRY COMBINED HIGH TECH WITH  
13 AN APPLICATION OF SOCIAL JUSTICE. INSPIRED BY THE FATAL  
14 SHOOTING OF MICHAEL BROWN IN FERGUSON, MISSOURI, THE TWINS  
15 DEVELOPED A BODY CAMERA HACK, A WEARABLE CAMERA WITH FACE  
16 TRACKING TECHNOLOGY. BOY CAN WE USE THAT. THIS SMARTCAMERA CAN  
17 BE USED BY POLICE OFFICERS, JOURNALISTS OR RESEARCHERS IN THE  
18 FIELD STUDYING FAST MOVING WEATHER EVENTS SUCH AS TORNADOES.  
19 THE TWINS ALSO RECENTLY SPENT TWO WEEKS WITH TOP TECH  
20 EXECUTIVE DEVELOPERS AND INVESTORS IN THE PRESTIGIOUS WOMEN'S  
21 STARTUP LAB IN SILICON VALLEY. AMERICA AND PENELOPE WERE  
22 RAISED IN RAMONA GARDENS, A PUBLIC HOUSING FACILITY, AND  
23 GRADUATED FROM LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL. AMERICA ATTENDS LOS  
24 ANGELES CITY COLLEGE AND PENELOPE ATTENDS CAL STATE LOS  
25 ANGELES. AS THEY MOVE AHEAD IN THEIR TECH CAREERS, FINISH



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1 THEIR DEGREES, THE TWINS ARE ALSO WORKING TO ELEVATE OTHERS.  
2 THEY'RE BUILDING A WEBSITE IN SPANISH AND ENGLISH FROM WHICH  
3 THEY HOPE TO USE VIDEO TUTORIALS TO TEACH OTHERS TO DEVELOP  
4 APPS AND WEARABLE TECHNOLOGY. GEE, SOMETHING ELSE WE COULD  
5 USE. THE FUTURE CERTAINLY LOOKS BRIGHT FOR THESE TWO YOUNG  
6 WOMEN. AND I'M PROUD TO KNOW THAT THEY ARE PART OF THE COUNTY  
7 UNINCORPORATED AREA. BRILLIANT WOMEN. WHO SAYS THAT WOMEN  
8 CAN'T BREAK AND SHATTER THAT GLASS CEILING AND GET INTO  
9 PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL FIELDS TO REPRESENT ALL OF US?  
10 [APPLAUSE.] PLEASE HELP ME IN RECOGNIZING THESE TWO YOUNG  
11 WOMEN. [SPEAKING SPANISH].

12

13 **SPEAKER:** WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO DR. SPINOSO FROM SOUTH LA  
14 TO ENCOURAGE US TO CONTINUE TO BE WOMEN IN TECH THOUGH WE  
15 DON'T HAVE OUR DEGREES YET. BUT SHE'S AMAZING. SHE HELPED MY  
16 SISTER TO CONTINUE TO STUDY COMPUTER SCIENCE WHEN IT WAS  
17 GETTING HARD. SHE ENCOURAGED US TO GO TO COMPETITIONS. SHE  
18 TOLD US ABOUT THE NASA ONE, AND WE WON THAT ONE, TOO, IN  
19 PASADENA. YES! SO I'M REALLY HAPPY AND WANT TO THANK THEM FOR  
20 ENCOURAGING US TO KEEP GOING TO THESE TECH COMPETITIONS. THANK  
21 YOU.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** JUST THIS PAST WEEKEND, WE WERE ALSO, LIKE, INSPIRING  
24 OTHER KIDS, 200 KIDS FROM L.A. BEST PROGRAM. THEY WENT TO  
25 CENTER CODER TIME. WE PRESENTED THEM HOW TO USE SCRATCH AND

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1 CONNECTED WITH CONNECT. SO THEY GOT TO HAVE FUN WHILE CODING.

2 SO WE HOPE TO INSPIRE A WHOLE NEW GENERATION FROM EAST L.A.

3 [APPLAUSE.] [SPEAKING SPANISH].

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO BRING  
6 UP THE CALFRESH PROGRAM. WE'RE HERE TODAY TO CELEBRATE AN  
7 UNPRECEDENTED COLLABORATION, ONE THAT ENTHUSIASTICALLY CAME  
8 TOGETHER FIVE YEARS AGO TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF HUNGER IN LOS  
9 ANGELES COUNTY. THE CALFRESH PROGRAM WAS CREATED TO SAFEGUARD  
10 THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS BY INCREASING  
11 THEIR FOOD PURCHASING POWER AND RAISING THEIR LEVELS OF  
12 NUTRITION. STUDIES SUGGEST THAT HOUSEHOLD HUNGER NEGATIVELY  
13 IMPACTS THE INTELLECTUAL, PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
14 OF CHILDREN AND PUTS THEM AT GREATER RISK OF OBESITY, DIABETES  
15 AND OTHER DISEASES. THE STUDIES ALSO CONCLUDED THAT CHILDREN  
16 WITH GOOD NUTRITION ARE HAPPIER, HEALTHIER AND DO BETTER IN  
17 SCHOOL. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHERE MORE THAN 10 MILLION  
18 PEOPLE RESIDE, 1.18 MILLION INDIVIDUALS RECEIVED CALFRESH  
19 BENEFITS IN JANUARY OF 2015. YET, STATE OF CALIFORNIA DATA  
20 INDICATES THAT THERE ARE STILL THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS IN  
21 IMMEDIATE NEED OF FOOD WHO ARE UNAWARE THAT THEY QUALIFY FOR  
22 THE CALFRESH BENEFITS. THAT'S WHERE THE CALFRESH AWARENESS  
23 MONTHS COLLABORATION HAS PARTNERED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AND  
24 EDUCATION ON NOT ONLY APPLYING FOR THE PROGRAM BUT USING THE  
25 FOOD BENEFIT TO PURCHASE HEALTHIER AND NUTRITIOUS FOODS. THE

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1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AND ITS MANY COMMUNITY  
2 PARTNERS HAVE MET FOR MONTHS, BRAINSTORMING ON A VARIETY OF  
3 STRATEGIES IN PREPARATION TO REACH THOSE WHO ARE MOST  
4 VULNERABLE TO HUNGER DURING THE MONTH OF MAY. I APPLAUD  
5 D.P.S.S., WHICH HAS TAKEN THE LEAD IN COORDINATING THIS HUGE  
6 EFFORT, ALONG WITH THE TIRELESS SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY PARTNERS.  
7 IN A MOMENT, I WOULD ASK DIRECTOR SHERYL SPILLER, WHO WILL  
8 SHARE SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS IMPRESSIVE OUTREACH  
9 EFFORT THAT HAS EARNED THE PARTNERSHIP STATEWIDE RECOGNITION.  
10 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROUDLY JOINS AND SUPPORTS THE  
11 EFFORTS OF THIS COMMUNITY COLLABORATION AND HEREBY PROCLAIMS  
12 MAY 2015 AS CALFRESH AWARENESS MONTH IN THE COUNTY OF LOS  
13 ANGELES. DIRECTOR SPILLER? YOU.

14

15 **SHERYL SPILLER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND OTHER BOARD  
16 MEMBERS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE CALFRESH AWARENESS  
17 CAMPAIGN. CALFRESH AWARENESS MONTH HIGHLIGHTS THE CRITICAL  
18 ROLE THAT CALFRESH BENEFITS PLAY IN HELPING LOW INCOME  
19 FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS TO BRING NUTRITIOUS FOODS TO THEIR  
20 TABLE. THIS PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN HAS BECOME ONE OF THE  
21 MOST COMPREHENSIVE AND COORDINATED EFFORTS IN THE STATE. WE'RE  
22 PROUD THAT THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES HAS  
23 ENCOURAGED OTHER CALIFORNIA COUNTIES TO ADAPT SIMILAR OUTREACH  
24 STRATEGIES. ALTHOUGH OUR COMMUNITY OUTREACH IS ENHANCED FOR  
25 THE MONTH OF MAY, D.P.S.S. PROVIDES OUTREACH SERVICES

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1 THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. I SHOULD ALSO ADD THAT NOT ONLY DOES THIS  
2 FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM PROVIDE FOOD FOR FAMILIES, IT ALSO  
3 BRINGS IN OVER \$2 BILLION ANNUALLY INTO THE L.A. COUNTY  
4 ECONOMY. AS PART OF THE CAMPAIGN, D.P.S.S. PARTNERS WITH OTHER  
5 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING A VERY CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH  
6 PUBLIC HEALTH, WHOSE INTERIM DIRECTOR, CYNTHIA HARDING, IS  
7 HERE TODAY WITH ME. [APPLAUSE.] WHILE D.P.S. PROVIDES THE  
8 MEANS TO PURCHASE FOOD, PUBLIC HEALTH PROVIDES INFORMATION SO  
9 THAT THEY MAY MAKE HEALTHY CHOICES WHEN PURCHASING FOOD. SOME  
10 OF OUR OTHER PARTNERS INCLUDE L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION,  
11 2-1-1 HOTLINE, SUPERIOR GROCERS, NORTH GATE GONZALEZ MARKETS,  
12 FOOD BANKS, FARMERS' MARKETS, VARIOUS CITIES, LOCAL SCHOOL  
13 DISTRICTS AND NUMEROUS COMMUNITY ADVOCATES. OUR THANKS TO ALL  
14 OF OUR PARTNERS HERE TODAY WHO WORKED DILIGENTLY TO PREPARE  
15 FOR TODAY'S LAUNCH OF CALFRESH AWARENESS MONTH. THANK YOU.  
16 [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR AND  
21 COLLEAGUES. MAY I SAY TO YOU THAT THE SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK IS  
22 IN THE HOUSE. AND WE'RE DELIGHTED TO HAVE THEM. GIVE THEM A  
23 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] ON AN ANNUAL  
24 BASIS, THIS BOARD HAS CHOSEN TO PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL AS  
25 AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH. AND THAT WOULD BE THROUGHOUT THE

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1 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN AN EFFORT TO PROMOTE AWARENESS OF  
2 AUTISM AND ALL OF ITS IMPLICATIONS AS A GROWING HEALTH CRISIS.  
3 THE AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS AS WE HAVE COME TO LEARN ABOUT  
4 THEM SIMPLY CONSTITUTE A GROUP OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
5 THAT CAN RESULT IN MAJOR SOCIAL, COMMUNICATION AND BEHAVIORAL  
6 CHALLENGES. THE GOOD NEWS IS S.N.N. AND SISTER ORGANIZATIONS  
7 ARE STEPPING UP TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS ISSUE IS ADDRESSED. AND  
8 WE KNOW THROUGH THEIR ADVOCACY, WE KNOW THROUGH THEIR WORK  
9 THAT INTERVENTIONS CAN BE BROUGHT TO BEAR TO HELP CHILDREN AND  
10 THEIR FAMILIES, PARTICULARLY WHEN WE IDENTIFY THE DISORDER  
11 EARLY. SO THE SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THOSE  
12 WHO DON'T KNOW IT, IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT HAS SERVED  
13 LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES OVER THE PAST EIGHT YEARS WITH  
14 A COMPLIMENT OF SERVICES FROM FREE SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS WITH  
15 AUTISM TO EARLY PARENT AND MENTOR TRAINING PROGRAMS AND MUCH,  
16 MUCH MORE. WE THINK OF THEM AS LEADERS ON A SIGNIFICANT POLICY  
17 FRONT. THE ISSUES THAT THEY ADDRESS INCLUDE CALIFORNIA'S  
18 HEALTH INSURANCE MANDATE FOR AUTISM THERAPIES, WHICH EXPANDED  
19 TO INCLUDE THE MEDI-CAL RECIPIENTS JUST THIS PAST YEAR. AND  
20 LET ME ASSURE YOU, THAT WAS A BIG LIFT. AND IT'S A MEANINGFUL  
21 WAY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM FOR THEIR WORK. AND THIS YEAR, IN  
22 RECOGNITION OF AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH, THE SPECIAL NEEDS  
23 NETWORK PARTNERED WITH ANTHEM BLUE CROSS TO BRING A HEALTH AND  
24 WELLNESS PROGRAM TO SOUTH LOS ANGELES TO ENCOURAGE PARENTS OF  
25 YOUNGSTERS WITH AUTISM AND SPECIAL NEEDS AND COMMUNITY

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1 RESIDENTS TO MAKE HEALTHY AND FITNESS PRIORITY CHOICES. AND I  
2 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANTHEM BLUE CROSS  
3 WHO ARE HERE, SOME OF WHOM ARE IN FRONT, SOME OF WHOM ARE  
4 BEHIND ME. GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THEIR  
5 CONTRIBUTION. [APPLAUSE.] MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, LADIES AND  
6 GENTLEMEN, IN ADDITION, I'D LIKE TO NOTE OVER 100 CHILDREN AND  
7 THEIR PARENTS PARTICIPATED, THAT IS RUNNING AND/OR WALKING  
8 OVER FIVE MILES DURING -- 5,000 MILES DURING THE 12-WEEK  
9 TRAINING PROGRAM SPONSORED AT THE RANCHO PARK. LED BY  
10 PROFESSIONAL TRAINERS, THE TEAM LEARNED THE BENEFITS OF  
11 REGULAR EXERCISE AND MOVEMENT AND HAD THE BENEFIT OF ONE-ON-  
12 ONE COACHING AND ONLINE SUPPORT FROM NUTRITION AND HEALTHY  
13 HABITS. AND 40 MEMBERS OF THE GROUP WALKED AND/OR RAN THE  
14 HOLLYWOOD HALF MILE MARATHON, THE 5-K AND 10-K RACE ON APRIL  
15 11TH TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT AUTISM. AND I WOULD LIKE AT THIS  
16 TIME TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GROUP KNOWN AS SOUTH L.A. GETS FIT.  
17 GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] SO  
18 SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK IS LEADING THE WAY ON AUTISM AWARENESS,  
19 POLICY, ADVOCACY, FITNESS. AND WE'RE GLAD TO HAVE THEM HERE  
20 WITH US TODAY TO CELEBRATE THEIR GREAT WORK. THEY HAVE AN  
21 EXTRAORDINARY FOUNDING PRESIDENT. WE KNOW HER AS AREVA MARTIN.  
22 SHE HAS DISTINGUISHED HERSELF IN A WIDE VARIETY OF WAYS ON THE  
23 MISSION TO MAKE SURE THAT ADVOCACY AROUND THIS PARTICULAR  
24 ISSUE IS ON THE MINDS OF US ALL. SHE HAS DONE THAT. AND WHEN  
25 SOME OF US DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE SPECTRUM WAS ABOUT, SHE'S BEEN



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1 A TEACHER, SHE'S BEEN A LEADER. YOU RECOGNIZE HER AS ONE WHO  
2 YOU SEE WITH SOME REGULARITY ON C.N.N., COVERING A RANGE OF  
3 ISSUES. BUT BEYOND THAT, YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT SHE IS A MOM WHO  
4 CARES ABOUT THIS ISSUE BECAUSE OF HER OWN PERSONAL JOURNEY.  
5 AND SO WE SHOULD GIVE AREVA MARTIN A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE AND  
6 ASK HER IF SHE WOULD COME TO THIS MICROPHONE TO BE  
7 ACKNOWLEDGED. AREVA?

8

9 **AREVA MARTIN:** THANK YOU, MR. SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU TO THE  
10 ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HOSTING SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK  
11 AND OUR SOUTH L.A. GETS FIT TEAM. BIG SHOUT OUT TO ANTHEM  
12 FOUNDATION FOR INVESTING IN FAMILIES IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES.  
13 SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK HAS BEEN ON THE FORE ON ISSUES OF AUTISM  
14 AND SPECIAL NEEDS, BUT WE RECOGNIZE THAT TO HAVE HEALTHY KIDS,  
15 WE NEED HEALTHY FAMILIES. SO WE STARTED THE SOUTH L.A. GETS  
16 FIT PROGRAM TO ENCOURAGE OUR PARENTS, OUR COMMUNITY, PARTNERS,  
17 RESIDENTS IN SOUTH L.A. TO JOIN US ON A JOURNEY TO GET FIT.  
18 AND FOR 12 WEEKS, OUR COACH, C.J., WHO IS A PART OF L.A.P.D.  
19 AND COACH ANTONIA LED OUR TEAM OF OVER 100 MEMBERS AND ALL  
20 KINDS OF EXERCISE AND FITNESS ROUTINES SO THAT THEY COULD  
21 COMPETE AT THE HOLLYWOOD HALF MARATHON. SO AT 5:30 A.M. ON A  
22 SATURDAY MORNING WHEN EVERYONE ELSE IS PROBABLY TURNING OVER  
23 IN THEIR BEDS, THIS TEAM WAS OUT ON HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD  
24 RUNNING A 5-K, 10-K AND EVEN A HALF MARATHON. SO WE ARE SO  
25 PROUD OF THEM FOR MODELING GOOD HEALTH, FOR BEING STEWARDS OF

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1 HEALTH, AND FOR REPRESENTING SOUTH LOS ANGELES. AND I JUST  
2 WANT TO INTRODUCE YOU TO EVELYN. EVELYN IS A YOUNG LADY WITH  
3 DOWN'S SYNDROME. HER MOM AND HER GRANDMA AND THEIR ENTIRE  
4 FAMILY PARTICIPATED IN THE TEAM. HENRY IS WITH US. HENRY IS A  
5 MAN WHO SUFFERED A VERY SEVERE STROKE BUT WOULDN'T LET THAT  
6 STOP HIM AND RECOGNIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALTH. HE AND I RAN  
7 THE 10-K TOGETHER. AND I THINK IT'S OKAY FOR ME TO SHARE THIS.  
8 HE HAD AN EPISODE AND HE FELL. BUT HE GOT RIGHT BACK UP AND HE  
9 KEPT RUNNING AND WE CROSSED THAT HAD FINISH LINE BECAUSE WE  
10 WANTED EVERYONE IN HOLLYWOOD TO KNOW THAT SOUTH L.A. WERE  
11 THERE AND WE WERE REPRESENTING FOR AUTISM. SO THANKS, L.A.  
12 GETS FIT. THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND THANK YOU TO  
13 ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS, BIG SHOUT OUT TO S.E.I.U.  
14 THAT'S IN THE HOUSE, ONE OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS, AS WELL.  
15 [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. YOU PROBABLY DON'T KNOW WHY WE  
20 GO IN THE ORDER WE DO, BUT EVERY TIME WE HAVE A SUPERVISORS  
21 MEETING, WE START WITH A DIFFERENT DISTRICT SO IT'S NOT ALWAYS  
22 THE FIRST, 1, 2, 3. TODAY IT WAS 4, 5, 1, 2, 3 AND SO THESE  
23 ARE OUR HONOREES FROM DISTRICT 3. MANY PEOPLE HAVE ASKED ME  
24 WHY DO WE DO THIS? AND DO WE TAKE SO MUCH TIME IN THE MORNING  
25 TO DO THIS. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU SAW THE MOVIE "AVATAR." BUT

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1 THE WAY THAT PEOPLE GREETED EACH OTHER IS "I SEE YOU." AND  
2 THIS IS A WAY OF SAYING "I SEE YOU." SO, LET ME ASK PATTI  
3 GIGGANS AND ELLEN LEDLEY TO JOIN ME, PLEASE. MANY OF YOU  
4 REMEMBER TWO WEEKS AGO THAT SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR  
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS BROUGHT A MOTION DECLARING APRIL 29TH, THAT'S  
6 TOMORROW, DENIM DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND SO WE WANT TO  
7 HONOR PATTI GIGGANS AND PEACE OVER VIOLENCE FIRST BECAUSE OF  
8 DENIM DAY. I KNOW THAT YOU'RE ALL GOING TO WEAR YOUR JEANS TO  
9 WORK TOMORROW TO THE MARKET, TO WHEREVER YOU'RE GOING. AND I  
10 WANT TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHY. EVERY APRIL FOR THE  
11 PAST 16 YEARS, PEACE OVER VIOLENCE HAS ORGANIZED DENIM DAY. IT  
12 WAS ACTUALLY INSPIRED BY WOMEN IN THE ITALIAN PARLIAMENT WHO  
13 BEGAN WEARING JEANS ON THE STEPS OF THE SUPREME COURT  
14 FOLLOWING THE OVERTURNING BY THAT SUPREME COURT IN ITALY OF A  
15 RAPE CONVICTION. AND THE REASON THE CONVICTION WAS OVERTURNED  
16 IS BECAUSE THE JUDGE SAID -- THAT HAD ORIGINALLY SAID IT  
17 WASN'T RAPE, COULDN'T BE RAPE BECAUSE THE WOMAN WAS WEARING  
18 TIGHT JEANS AND HOW COULD YOU GET TIGHT JEANS OFF WITHOUT  
19 CONSENT? SO IT ENRAGED, OF COURSE, THE WOMEN IN THE  
20 PARLIAMENT. AND IT FURTHER ENRAGED THE WOMEN IN THE CALIFORNIA  
21 STATE SENATE AND STATE ASSEMBLY. AND WE BEGAN WEARING JEANS ON  
22 DENIM DAY. AND IT WAS BORN IN L.A. IN 1999. IT'S QUICKLY  
23 EXPANDED INTO AN INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT. I KNOW MANY OF YOU  
24 KNOW WE EVEN TALKED ABOUT IT IN THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE  
25 PRESENTATION THAT RAPE IS A WEAPON. IT'S A WEAPON AT HOME.

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1 IT'S A WEAPON ABROAD. IT'S A WEAPON WHEN IT'S DONE ON A GRAND  
2 SCALE AND IT'S A WEAPON WHEN IT'S DONE ON AN INDIVIDUAL SCALE.  
3 DENIM DAY BRINGS ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT DRESSING IN  
4 ATTRACTIVE WAYS ARE INDICATING TO SOMEBODY YOU LIKE THEM IS  
5 NOT AN INVITATION TO BE SEXUALLY VIOLATED. SO TODAY THE LOS  
6 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HONORS DENIM DAY,  
7 COMMEMORATES IT AND GIVES THIS TO PATTI GIGGANS TO SHARE WITH  
8 HER COWORKERS AT PEACE OVER VIOLENCE AND THANKS HER SO MUCH  
9 FOR ALL THE WORK SHE'S DONE FOR DENIM DAY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?  
10 [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** WHAT AN HONOR TO BE HERE AND TO CELEBRATE THE  
13 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF AN OUTSTANDING ORGANIZATION THAT HAS LED  
14 THE WAY TO STOP ASSAULTS AGAINST WOMEN. AND WE KNOW HOW  
15 IMPORTANT THIS IS. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
16 THOMAS FOR WORKING WITH US AND THE BOARD HERE TO PUSH THIS  
17 AGENDA FORWARD TO RECOGNIZE THAT ANY ASSAULT ON A HUMAN BEING,  
18 IN PARTICULAR A WOMAN, ALL THE TIME IS OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE  
19 BECAUSE IT SHOULD NOT HAPPEN. AND WE KNOW THAT WOMEN DON'T  
20 ASK. AND WE HAVE A RIGHT TO REFUSE AND SAY NO. AND WE KNOW  
21 THAT WE ALSO HAVE A LOT MORE WORK TO DO. BUT ON THIS DAY WE  
22 WANT TO CELEBRATE PEACE OVER VIOLENCE. WE ALSO WANT TO SAY  
23 THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR WORK AND FOR HELPING US ON THIS DAY,  
24 PATTI, TO RECOGNIZE THAT 40 YEARS MAY SEEM LIKE A LONG TIME,  
25 BUT IT'S NOT. AND WE STILL HAVE MORE TO DO TO HELP EDUCATE OUR

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1 YOUNG MEN AND YOUNG WOMEN THAT THEY HAVE A RIGHT TO SPEAK OUT  
2 AND SAY NO. SO THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU DO.  
3 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** JUST A WORD OF THANKS TO BOTH SUPERVISOR  
6 SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR THEIR LONG-TERM ADVOCACY ON THE  
7 ISSUE OF RESPECT FOR ALL PERSONS, BUT PARTICULARLY THE  
8 PUSHBACK ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN. PEACE OVER VIOLENCE IS A  
9 STANDOUT ORGANIZATION. IT HAS BEEN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS ON A  
10 VARIETY OF FRONTS. AND I'M JUST HONORED TO BE HERE AGAIN WITH  
11 THEM TO SAY THAT THE RESPECT FOR THE PERSON OF ALL PEOPLE IS  
12 OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE. DENIM DAY IS A VERY, VERY COMPELLING  
13 REMINDER. PATTI GIGGANS WILL HELP US UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT  
14 TOMORROW YOU CAN EXPECT THAT I WILL BE IN MY JEANS, AS I HAVE  
15 BEEN FOR MANY YEARS, 16 YEARS NOW WITH DENIM DAY. IT IS A WAY  
16 TO SEND A CLEAR MESSAGE TO THOSE WHO THINK THAT SEXUAL ASSAULT  
17 OR ANY SORT OF IMPOSITION OF THAT SORT IS OKAY. IT IS NOT. AND  
18 OUR JEANS AND MORE WILL SIGNIFY THAT JUST KEEP YOUR  
19 APPROPRIATE DISTANCE OR ELSE THERE WILL BE CONSEQUENCES  
20 DEALING WITH THOSE JEANS. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT I WANT TO PARTICULARLY THANK PATTI GIGGANS  
23 WITH HER PARTNER OF 21 YEARS, ELLEN LEDLY. THEY HAVE RAISED  
24 THREE CHILDREN. THEY HAVE STARTED SO MANY ORGANIZATIONS. THEY  
25 HAVE MADE AN INCREDIBLE DIFFERENCE IN LOS ANGELES. ELLEN, I'M

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1 GOING TO HONOR YOU SOMEDAY, BUT TODAY WE'RE GOING TO  
2 SPECIFICALLY HONOR PATTI. SHE'S BEEN THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF  
3 PEACE OVER VIOLENCE, WHICH IS A SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
4 AND YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION CENTER SINCE 1985, 30 YEARS. 31  
5 YEARS AS PARTNERS, 30 YEARS WITH P.O.V. SHE'S THE FOUNDER OF  
6 DENIM DAY IN L.A. AND DENIM DAY U.S.A. WATCH OUT. SHE HOLDS A  
7 BLACK BELT IN KARATE. SHE'S A MASTER SELF-DEFENSE TRAINER.  
8 ORIGINALLY FOUNDING KARATE WOMEN WHICH IS WHEN I THINK I MET  
9 HER. NOT BECAUSE I WAS IN THE CLASS. WHICH WAS THE FIRST  
10 WOMEN'S MARTIAL ARTS SCHOOL IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND SHE  
11 FOUNDED IT IN 1978. SHE SERVED IN MANY STATEWIDE AND NATIONAL  
12 LEADERSHIP POSITIONS AND HAS CO-CREATED VIOLENCE PREVENTION  
13 PROGRAMS AND CURRICULA, INCLUDING IN TOUCH WITH TEENS AND  
14 WOMEN SELF-DEFENSE AND SAFETY. SHE'S COAUTHORED SEVERAL BOOKS,  
15 INCLUDING THE MOST RECENT "WHEN DATING BECOMES DANGEROUS: A  
16 PARENT'S GUIDE TO PREVENTING RELATIONSHIP ABUSE". SHE'S THE  
17 RECIPIENT OF THE CALIFORNIA PEACE PRIZE, THE ANGEL OF PEACE  
18 AWARD AND IS A DURFEE FOUNDATION STANTON FELLOW. HER  
19 INVOLVEMENT WITH WORK AGAINST VIOLENCE GOES BACK TO HER HIGH  
20 SCHOOL DAYS WHEN SHE WAS PROFOUNDLY AFFECTED BY WILLIAM  
21 SHIRER'S ACCOUNT OF THE "RISE AND FALL OF THE THIRD REICH." IN  
22 ADDITION, SHE WAS ALSO INFLUENCED BY LEARNING ABOUT THE  
23 HOLOCAUST AND CIVIL RIGHTS FEMINIST AND GAY RIGHTS MOVEMENTS  
24 OF THE 1960S. SHE SAID SHE CHOSE TO WORK IN VIOLENCE  
25 PREVENTION BECAUSE "THERE CAN BE NO EQUALITY OR FREEDOM WHILE

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1 THERE IS VIOLENCE OR EVEN THE THREAT OF VIOLENCE." PLEASE JOIN  
2 ME IN RECOGNIZING PATTI GIGGANS AND HER ORGANIZATION PEACE  
3 OVER VIOLENCE AND IN WEARING DENIM TOMORROW FOR DENIM DAY 2015  
4 TO HIGHLIGHT THIS VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE. PATTI GIGGANS.

5 [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **PATTI GIGGANS:** I'M VERY MOVED AND VERY HUMBLER TO BE  
8 RECOGNIZED TODAY. AND SO EXCITED ABOUT DENIM DAY. LOS ANGELES  
9 IS THE FLAGSHIP CITY FOR ALL THE DENIM DAYS THAT ARE HAPPENING  
10 AROUND THE COUNTRY AND IN CANADA AND EUROPE. LAST YEAR THERE  
11 WERE DENIM DAYS IN 110 COUNTRIES AND IT ALL STARTED WITH  
12 ITALY, WITH SACRAMENTO AND WITH LOS ANGELES. AND THE HONORING  
13 IN TERMS OF THESE MANY YEARS OF WORKING ON VIOLENCE, I'M PART  
14 OF A MOVEMENT, I'M PART OF MANY COLLABORATIONS. AND PEACE OVER  
15 VIOLENCE HAS BEEN A PATH FOR ME TO REALLY DEDICATE MYSELF. BUT  
16 I'VE BEEN SURROUNDED BY SO MANY DEDICATED PEOPLE. AND I CAN'T  
17 ACCEPT THIS WITHOUT MENTIONING MY LEADERSHIP TEAM. KATHY  
18 FRIEDMAN AND YVETTE LOZANO AND LILLY HERRERA AND PEGGY REINA  
19 AND DARCY POLLEN AND SANDY MONROY AND EMILY AUSTIN AND MY  
20 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE 250 VOLUNTEERS THAT STAFF ALL OF  
21 OUR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND ALL THE COLLABORATING AGENCIES, THE  
22 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS AND THE RAPE CRISIS CENTERS AND THE  
23 SUPPORT OF THIS BODY THROUGH MANY YEARS AND THE LEADERSHIP OF  
24 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WE KNOW HAS BEEN STANDING WITH US. SO  
25 I'M VERY HUMBLER TODAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SHEILA AND HILDA



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1 AND MARK AND EVERYONE ON THE BOARD. LET'S WEAR OUR JEANS FOR  
2 DENIM DAY AND LET'S KEEP GOING. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** SINCE WE CELEBRATED EARTH DAY LAST WEEK, WE  
5 CELEBRATED IT IN WASHINGTON, D.C. SO WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY  
6 FABULOUS SCROLLS. INCIDENTALLY, COULD YOU GIVE A BIG HAND TO  
7 ALL OF THE WONDERFUL STAFF WHO MAKE THESE BEAUTIFUL SCROLLS? I  
8 MEAN, REALLY, WOULD YOU THANK THEM FOR ME? [APPLAUSE.] I'D  
9 LIKE TO ASK THOSE PEOPLE FROM PACOIMA BEAUTIFUL AND RECOGNIZE  
10 THEM IN HONOR OF EARTH DAY, RECOGNIZING VERONICA PADILLA,  
11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND YOUTH COORDINATOR HUGO CORTINEZ, YOUTH  
12 ORGANIZER DIEGO ORTIZ AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZER MERCEDES ORTIZ.  
13 VERONICA JOINED PACOIMA BEAUTIFUL AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR IN APRIL  
14 2010, BECAME THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IN JULY 2013. SHE'S BEEN  
15 INSTRUMENTAL IN FACILITATING PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN GOVERNMENT,  
16 PROFESSIONAL, PARAPROFESSIONALS AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS TO  
17 WORK TOWARD COMMON GOALS, SUSTAINABLE CHANGES IN ORDER TO  
18 IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO  
19 VALLEY AND SHE'S ALSO A U.C.L.A. ALUMNI. BUT, OKAY I'M  
20 ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THAT, TOO. PACOIMA BEAUTIFUL.  
21 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I WASN'T PREPARED TO SAY ANYTHING. BUT I WANTED TO  
24 SAY THANK YOU FOR THIS AWESOME RECOGNITION. WE COULDN'T REALLY  
25 DO THE WORK WE DO WITHOUT OUR AWESOME COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS OF

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1 PACOIMA AND THE ENTIRE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND MOST  
2 IMPORTANTLY MY STAFF BEHIND ME THAT SUPPORT US AND DO THE  
3 GREAT WORK THAT THEY DO. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND JUST ONE MORE IN HONOR OF EARTH DAY TO PRESENT  
6 A SCROLL TO TREE PEOPLE, RECOGNIZING ANDY LIPKIS FOUNDER AND  
7 PRESIDENT, INCLUDING VOLUNTEER VAUGHN CARAPETIAN, WHO HAS  
8 VOLUNTEERED EVERY WEEKEND FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS. VAUGHN  
9 WORKS FOR OUR COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE. ANDY FOUNDED TREE  
10 PEOPLE AT THE AGE OF 18 IN 1973 PLANTING OVER 2 MILLION TREES  
11 AND CONNECTING WITH OVER 1 MILLION ANGELINOS. TODAY ANDY  
12 CONTINUES TO BE A STRONG FORCE IN THE PRESERVATION OF OUR  
13 ENVIRONMENT. ANDY LIPKIS AND TREE PEOPLE. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **ANDY LIPKIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. AND WELCOME TO  
16 THE BOARD, IT'S GREAT. IT'S REALLY A PLEASURE TO ACCEPT THIS  
17 AWARD ON BEHALF OF THE VOLUNTEERS, THE BOARD, OVER 10,000  
18 VOLUNTEERS. A VAUGHN JUST ONE OF MANY, MANY THAT ARE TAKING  
19 CARE OF THE ENVIRONMENT ALL OVER THE COUNTY. A VAUGHN WORKS IN  
20 URBAN NEIGHBORHOODS IN OUR CITIZENS FORESTRY TEAM HELPING  
21 NEIGHBORHOODS GET TREES PLANTED, CAPTURE WATER AND HEALTH OUR  
22 HEALTH AND SAFETY. HE ALSO WORKS IN THE ANGELES FOREST PART OF  
23 THE COUNTY. AS I SAID 10,000 VOLUNTEERS ARE WORKING ALL OVER  
24 THE COUNTY WITH NEIGHBORHOODS, WITH COMMUNITIES, ON HEALTH,  
25 SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES. AND IT'S REALLY A

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1 PLEASURE TO RECEIVE SOME ACKNOWLEDGMENT ON THEIR BEHALF. I  
2 JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WE'RE ALSO REALLY PLEASED TO BE WORKING  
3 WITH THE THIRD DISTRICT AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY ON WATER.  
4 I'M WEARING BLUE TODAY AND GREENISH BLUE TO UNDERSCORE THE  
5 URGENCY ON EARTH DAY, NOT JUST EARTH DAY, FOR ALL OF US TO  
6 MAKE THIS REAL EVERY DAY. WE'RE ALL MANAGERS OF THE WATER. AND  
7 IF WE'RE NOT MANAGING OUR WATER, THEN WE'RE MISMANAGING. AND  
8 OUR WORK IS PARTNERING WITH THE COUNTY TO REACH ALL THE KIDS  
9 THROUGH THE GENERATION EARTH PROGRAM. THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS  
10 OF YOUNG PEOPLE ARE HELPING TEACH OTHERS AND IMPROVE THE  
11 QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE COUNTY. AND AGAIN IT'S AN HONOR. WE  
12 THANK YOU AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU ALL FURTHER.  
13 [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY, EXEC. OFCR.:** MR. MAYOR, WE WILL START  
16 WITH THE PUBLIC HEARINGS. SO I WILL SWEAR IN THOSE WHO ARE  
17 HERE TO TESTIFY ON THE HEARINGS. SO ON ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6, ALL  
18 THOSE THAT PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND  
19 RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN? IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY  
20 GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE  
21 TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU  
22 GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. SO WE BEGIN WITH PUBLIC  
23 HEARING NO. 1. ON NUMBER 1, THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE ANNUAL  
24 SOLID WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR  
25 '15/'16 TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUATION, COLLECTION OF THE

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1 SOLID WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE AT THE CURRENT RATE. ON  
2 THIS ITEM THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE  
3 WAS SUBMITTED AND WE DO HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO SIGNED  
4 UP TO SPEAK.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARNOLD SACHS? FIRST THE REPORT.

7

8 **KOBI SKY:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY  
9 NAME IS KOBI SKY AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER WITH THE  
10 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH THESE  
11 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE CONTINUED COLLECTION OF THE SOLID WASTE  
12 GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE AT ITS CURRENT LEVEL ON THE TAX ROLL  
13 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016. THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE SOLID  
14 WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE WAS PREPARED IN MY OFFICE  
15 UNDER MY DIRECTION AND IN MY OPINION IT IS NECESSARY TO RETAIN  
16 A SERVICE CHARGE AT ITS CURRENT LEVEL AND IT IS IN THE PUBLIC  
17 INTEREST TO CONTINUE TO COLLECT THIS SERVICE CHARGE ON THIS  
18 TAX ROLL BECAUSE IT PROVIDES THE MOST ORDERLY COLLECTION OF  
19 SUCH CHARGE FROM THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS. IN MY OPINION,  
20 THE SERVICE CHARGE CONTINUES TO BE FAIRLY IMPOSED, AND WE'VE  
21 RECEIVED NO PROTESTS TO THE REPORT. THANK YOU.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I WAS JUST LOOKING AT THAT WHEN YOU DECIDED A  
24 SERVICE CHARGE BECAUSE, I MEAN, YOU'RE DOING ALL THIS HONORING  
25 FOR RECYCLING AND AWARDING FOR GREENING AND EARTH DAY AND

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1 EVERYTHING, BUT IT BRINGS ME BACK TO AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA  
2 FROM SEVERAL YEARS AGO, HOW YOU DECIDE ON BECAUSE YOU'RE DOING  
3 THIS FOR TO MEET OPERATING EXPENSES. AND I'M THINKING OF THE  
4 ITEM YOU HAD WHEN INCREASED THE SIZE OF THE SUNSHINE CANYON  
5 LANDFILL AND HOW YOU DECIDED TO ELIMINATE 6,600 TONS OF WASTE  
6 PER WEEK WHILE AT THE SAME TIME BRINGING IN 6,600 TONS OF DIRT  
7 FILL TO COVER THE WASTE THAT HADN'T BEEN COVERED PREVIOUSLY TO  
8 YOU DOUBLING THE SIZE OF THE LANDFILL. AND I'M SURE YOU HAD  
9 THE COUNTY AGENCY LOOK AT THE FACTS AND FIGURES FOR IT AND RUN  
10 ALL THE NUMBERS THROUGH. BUT IT STILL NEVER MADE SENSE. AND I  
11 BELIEVE SUPERVISOR MOLINA WHEN SHE WAS SITTING HERE SAID THE  
12 MATH DIDN'T MAKE SENSE. AND EVEN AFTER SHE LEFT, THE MATH  
13 STILL DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. AND SO I'M JUST CURIOUS TO KNOW HOW  
14 YOU THROW THESE NUMBERS AROUND IN ADDITION TO THE FACT THAT  
15 I'VE HEARD SEVERAL TIMES THAT YOU'RE FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE. AND  
16 THAT DOESN'T TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE \$36 BILLION UNFUNDED  
17 MANDATE YOU TALKED ABOUT LAST WEEK IN YOUR BUDGET DISCUSSIONS  
18 FOR THE HEALTHCARE FOR THE COUNTY WORKERS, HOW YOU TOSS THESE  
19 NUMBERS AROUND THAT THE PUBLIC IS SUPPOSED TO UNDERSTAND. IT  
20 MAKES IT VERY DIFFICULT BECAUSE THERE ARE NO FACTS THAT YOU  
21 CAN REALLY TAKE HOLD AND SAY: DO YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'RE MEETING  
22 THE COSTS, WE'RE MEETING THE EXPECTATIONS BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT.  
23 THIS IS AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA FROM MAY 23RD, 2006. 6,000 TONS  
24 A WEEK, 36,000 TONS SIX DAYS A WEEK FOR THE SUNSHINE CANYON  
25 LANDFILL, DOUBLING IT TO 12,100 TONS. COMES TO 6,600 TONS. NO?

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1 IT DOESN'T. 72.6. YOU'RE MISSING 6,000 TONS OF WASTE JUST BY  
2 ELIMINATING IT. JUST BY A MATHEMATICIAN'S MAGIC. SO IF YOU CAN  
3 DO THAT HERE AND YOU CAN DO IT IN PRINT, WHAT IS ALL THIS THAT  
4 YOU'RE DOING BEHIND THE SCENES FOR PEOPLE ARE SUPPOSED TO SAY:  
5 OH, OKAY, IT'S BEEN DONE, IT'S BEEN ANSWERED. SO IT GOES.  
6 YOU'RE OUT OF TIME.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY, EXEC. OFCR.:** MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF  
11 THE BOARD, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY  
12 PROTESTS EXIST AGAINST THE SOLID WASTE GENERATION SERVICE  
13 CHARGE AND AS A RESULT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD  
14 TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT THE REPORT AT THIS TIME.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECOND  
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEM.

18

19 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON ITEM 2, THIS IS THE  
20 HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE  
21 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S GOLF COURSE GREENS FEES  
22 EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2015. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S NO DEPARTMENTAL  
23 STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. WE DO HAVE MEMBERS  
24 OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. LUCAS. ROBERT LUCAS. MR. PREVEN  
2    AND MR. SACHS.

3

4    **ERIC PREVEN:** NO PRESENTATIONS?

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6    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO PRESENTATION.

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8    **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN A COUNTY RESIDENT OF THE  
9    DISTRICT 3 AND A BIT OF A STUDENT OF THE GOLF OPERATIONS. THIS  
10   IS THE MEASURE TO RAISE RATES FOR COUNTY GOLF COURSES. I WOULD  
11   ASK THE BOARD TO HOLD OFF ON APPROVING THIS UNTIL WE CAN  
12   RESOLVE A FEW PENDING ISSUES, ONE SPECIFICALLY HAS TO DO WITH  
13   A CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORD ACT REQUEST FOR NUMBERS RELATING TO  
14   SOMETHING CALLED THE PLAYERS CLUB SUPERVISOR KUEHL WHICH IS AN  
15   INTERESTING PROGRAM THAT LOWERS, IT'S A NICE ENTRY LEVEL FOR  
16   GOLFERS. AND IT HAS NOT YET BEEN ESTABLISHED WHAT OUR  
17   RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PROVIDERS WILL BE. IT'S AMERICAN GOLF  
18   WHO IS RUNNING THIS PROGRAM. THE REASON WHY IT'S OF INTEREST  
19   IS THAT THE OVERALL COUNTY GOLF PORTFOLIO A YEAR AGO, THERE  
20   WAS A SHIFT. SOME OF THE TRUSTED PROVIDERS LIKE PAUL MAJOR AT  
21   AMERICAN GOLF STEPPED OUT AND OTHERS STEPPED IN IN THE FORM OF  
22   A WALL STREET GROUP RELATED TO FORTRESS, IT'S NOT ACTUALLY  
23   FORTRESS, WHICH IS THE SUBJECT OF A VERY IMPORTANT INQUIRY  
24   THAT'S ON GOING. IT'S A GROUP CALLED NEW CASTLE RUN BY A GUY  
25   NAMED WES EDENS WHO IS A WALL STREET PLAYER. AND THE REASON



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1 WHY WE'RE INTERESTED IN THE PLAYERS CLUB NUMBERS ARE BECAUSE  
2 HIS BUSINESS PLAN IS TO MIGRATE REVENUE AWAY FROM COUNTY RENT  
3 TOWARD LESS SUPERVISED REVENUE THAT WILL THEN BE, OF COURSE,  
4 USED TO SHOW GROWTH ON HIS PORTFOLIO OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
5 COURSES NATIONALLY, QUITE FRANKLY, AND THEN HE WILL DO WHAT HE  
6 DOES IS SPIN THESE THINGS OFF FOR AN ENORMOUS PROFIT. THERE'S  
7 ONE DATE IN THE RECENT PAST WITH A NEW SENIOR PROGRAM, HE  
8 YIELDED HIMSELF \$500 MILLION IN ONE DAY. SO THAT'S A BIG  
9 CONCERN ABOUT WALL STREET ON MAIN STREET BECAUSE COUNTY GOLF  
10 AS WE ALL KNOW IS INTENDED TO BE A LITTLE BIT BELOW MARKET  
11 RATES BECAUSE, IN FACT, COUNTRY CLUB GOLF IS WIDELY AVAILABLE.  
12 AND ANOTHER POINT ABOUT REVENUE HERE, THEY'RE GOING TO GIVE  
13 YOU A SOB STORY ABOUT HOW WE CAN'T MAKE THINGS WORK. THE TRUTH  
14 IS THAT IN SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S DISTRICT THERE'S BEEN A  
15 PERNICIOUS LAWSUIT THAT IS NOW NOT QUITE SETTLED BUT ABOUT TO  
16 BE SETTLED. SO WE'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE TERMS OF THAT  
17 SETTLEMENT ARE IN ADDITION TO THE PUBLIC RECORD ACT REQUESTS  
18 THAT WERE PREVIOUSLY MADE AND WE'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE  
19 COUNTY BIG PICTURE PLAN IS BECAUSE ITEM 2-P TODAY SUPERVISOR  
20 KNABE IS UNLOADING ABOUT A MILLION BUCKS INTO FIVE COURSES,  
21 MOSTLY FOURTH DISTRICT EXCESS FUNDS IT'S HIS RIGHT TO DO THAT  
22 BUT WE WANT TO UNDERSTAND KNOWING WE'RE GOING INTO A PERIOD  
23 WHERE PARKS AND REC, OVERALL, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AS YOU RECALL,  
24 IS EXPERIENCING A SHIFT WITH THE \$96 AND SUCH. SO WE WANT TO  
25 BE SURE THAT RATHER THAN OFFLOADING ALL THOSE THINGS, UNTIL WE

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1 HAVE CLARITY ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THESE GOLF COURSES. AND  
2 I WILL TELL YOU, THE PLAYERS CLUB IS SNEAKY. IT IS A WAY OF  
3 PUTTING GOLF REVENUE INTO A CASH REGISTER THAT IS NOT TAXED  
4 THE WAY THE COUNTY LIKES TO TAX REVENUE. AND I ASKED THE BOARD  
5 TO TAKE A LOOK AT THIS. I'LL EXPLAIN IN MORE DETAIL IN A WEEK.  
6 BRING IT BACK IN A WEEK. THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH A WEEK.  
7 TRANSPARENCY IS OF COURSE WHAT MAKES THE WORLD GO AROUND. AND  
8 I THINK IT'S BETTER THAT EVERYBODY UNDERSTAND THE NATURE OF  
9 THIS DEAL. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. LUCAS?

12

13 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. THIS IS A STATEMENT  
14 ON ALL OF THE AGENDA ITEMS THAT I SIGNED UP FOR, CORRECT? OR  
15 JUST THE GOLF?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JUST GOLF.

18

19 **ROBERT LUCAS:** I SIGNED UP FOR THAT SO I'LL WAIVE MY TIME ON  
20 THIS. I HAVE NO PROBLEMS WITH GOLF AT ALL.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING AGAIN ARNOLD SACHS. AND  
25 IT'S KIND OF FASCINATING THAT YOU'RE NOTICING THIS HEARING

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1 FOUR DAYS BEFORE YOU'RE GOING TO -- YOU'RE HAVING THE HEARING  
2 FOUR DAYS BEFORE YOU'RE GOING TO INCREASE THE FEES. HOW WAS IT  
3 NOTICED? WAS IT NOTICED THROUGH THE -- JUST AT THE GOLF  
4 COURSES OR THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY? HOW WAS  
5 IT NOTICED FOR THESE COUNTY-WIDE GOLF COURSES SO THAT THE  
6 PUBLIC CAN HAVE INFORMATION REGARDING THESE HEARINGS? I MEAN,  
7 YOU HEAR SO MUCH FROM PEOPLE WHO PLAY THE GOLF, THE RETIREES,  
8 THAT THE COSTS ARE ALWAYS INCREASING. I DON'T SEE A BIG CROWD  
9 OF PEOPLE HERE. I SEE LESS PEOPLE HERE FOR THE GOLF COURSES  
10 THAN WERE HERE FOR THE HOUSING VOUCHERS. AND I KNOW THERE'S  
11 PROBABLY MORE PEOPLE THAT PLAY GOLF AT THE COUNTY COURSES THAN  
12 GETTING HOUSING VOUCHERS. MAY HAVE A LONGER WAITING TIME, TOO.  
13 BUT I KIND OF DISAGREE WITH WHAT SOMEBODY ONCE STATED HERE  
14 EARLIER REGARDING SUPERVISOR KNABE USING EXCESS COUNTY FUNDS  
15 FOR GOLF COURSES. THAT WOULD BE NICE. I MEAN IN THE 1-P AND 2-  
16 P ITEMS ON THE AGENDA TODAY IT RECOGNIZES THE PROPOSITIONS  
17 1996 AND '92 AS THE STATE PARKS. BUT ACCORDING TO THIS AGENDA  
18 ITEM SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA FROM AUGUST 5, 2014, IT SHOULD BE  
19 ACTUALLY THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, YOUTH SENIOR RECREATION,  
20 BEACHES, WILDLIFE PROTECTION MEASURE. AND ALSO I THOUGHT PART  
21 OF THAT WAS FOR GANG INTERVENTION. SO HOW DO YOU DECIDE THAT  
22 YOU'RE GOING TO SPEND THE MILLION DOLLARS ON GOLF COURSES FOR  
23 UPKEEP BUT YOU DON'T HAVE A MILLION DOLLARS. DO YOU SPEND THE  
24 SAME, DO YOU KIND OF LIKE SAY I GOT 6 ACCOUNTS HERE? AM I  
25 GOING TO GIVE A MILLION DOLLARS TO EACH ONE? DO YOU GIVE A

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1 MILLION DOLLARS? BECAUSE I HAVE NEVER SEEN AN AGENDA ITEM  
2 WHERE YOUR EXCESS FUNDS FOR GANG INTERVENTION OR BEACHES AND  
3 WILDLIFE PROTECTION. I MEAN, I KNOW YOU SPEND MONEY ON THE  
4 BEACHES. AND IT IS A PARTIAL TAX. BUT CONVERSELY, PEOPLE WHO  
5 LIVE IN NEIGHBORHOODS THAT DON'T -- THAT AREN'T NEAR THE BEACH  
6 DON'T HAVE BUS SERVICE TO GO TO COUNTY BEACHES LIKE DOCKWEILER  
7 BECAUSE THE BUS SERVICE WAS CUT. COUNTY BUS SERVICE WAS CUT.  
8 AND IN MANHATTAN BEACH, COUNTY BUS SERVICE WAS CUT EXCEPT FOR  
9 THE MAIN SERVICE. DURING THE WEEKENDS THERE'S NO COUNTY BUS  
10 SERVICE. AND IN REDONDO BEACH, THERE'S ONE BUS. SO HOW DO YOU  
11 DECIDE HOW YOU'RE GOING TO SPEND THIS QUOTE/UNQUOTE EXCESS  
12 COUNTY FUNDS THAT'S EQUITABLE FOR THE 10 MILLION PEOPLE THAT  
13 LIVE IN THE COUNTY AND THE 6 OR 7 MILLION OR 8 MILLION OR 8-  
14 1/2 MILLION PEOPLE THAT DON'T LIVE AND HAVE ACTUAL ACCESS TO  
15 THE BEACHES? HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHERE THIS EXCESS FUNDING IS  
16 GOING TO COME FROM?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** I MOVE THE ITEM.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION, SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
23 ORDERED.

24

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1   **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON ITEM NO. 3, THIS IS THE  
2   HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A PROPRIETARY  
3   PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO CARDINAL PIPELINE L.P. FOR THE  
4   COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PETROLEUM AND  
5   OTHER PRODUCTS DUE DECEMBER 31ST, 2016 FOR AN AREA PREVIOUSLY  
6   COVERED BY THE FRANCHISE HELD BY PARAMOUNT PETROLEUM  
7   CORPORATION. ON THIS ITEM THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT.  
8   NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED AND WE DO HAVE MEMBERS OF THE  
9   PUBLIC.

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11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. ROBERT LUCAS AND MR. SACHS.

12

13   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN, ARNOLD SACHS. AND I HELD  
14   THIS. ACTUALLY THIS IS THE SECOND TIME THIS HAS APPEARED  
15   BEFORE THE BOARD. BACK IN MARCH 17TH, IT WAS ITEM NO. 12 ON  
16   THE AGENDA FOR APPROVAL OF A TRANSFER OF AN EXISTING  
17   PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE RIGHTS, IT WAS JUST  
18   AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA FOR THIS PIPELINE STUFF. AND ON MARCH  
19   24TH IT WAS AN ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION. THE AGENDA ITEM DIDN'T  
20   RECOGNIZE A DATE TO START. IT DIDN'T RECOGNIZE A DATE TO START  
21   THIS TRANSFER. IT RECOGNIZED A DATE TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE  
22   TRANSFER TO DECEMBER 31ST, 2016. AND RECOGNIZED THE PUBLIC  
23   HEARING ON APRIL 28TH. BUT YOU DIDN'T RECOGNIZE THE HEARING  
24   FOR THE ACTUAL ITEM ON THE AGENDA. IT'S JUST AN AGENDIZED  
25   ITEM. WHY NOT RECOGNIZE THE HEARING FOR THE AGENDIZED ITEM

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1 BEFORE YOU DO THE ORDINANCE? SHOULDN'T YOU HAVE THE HEARING ON  
2 THE AGENDIZED ITEM? THE ORDINANCE HAS ALREADY BEEN PASSED.  
3 THIS IS THE SECOND READING OF THE ORDINANCE, ESSENTIALLY, THAT  
4 PUTS IT INTO EFFECT. YOU'VE ALREADY BUTCHERED THE SHEEP BEFORE  
5 THEY WERE EVEN COUNTED. SO I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHY  
6 YOU DON'T HAVE THE ITEM AGENDIZED AS A HEARING FOR THE  
7 ORIGINAL ITEM BACK ON MARCH 17TH AND THEN HAVE THE ORDINANCE  
8 AS A HEARING BASED ON WHAT PEOPLE'S PUBLIC COMMENT MIGHT BE.  
9 WHO OVERSEES THE PIPELINE? IT WAS A PIPELINE THAT BURST IN SAN  
10 PEDRO AND THE SITTING CITY COUNCILWOMAN FOR EIGHT YEARS HARDLY  
11 EVEN KNEW THAT THERE WAS A PIPELINE IN SAN PEDRO NEVERTHELESS  
12 THAT IT WAS FILLED WITH OIL. BUT NOW SHE IS A REPRESENTATIVE  
13 IN CONGRESS. OH, AND BY THE WAY, DOPEY JANICE HAHN IS RUNNING  
14 FOR DON KNABE'S SEAT. THAT'S A GREAT ADDITION TO THE BOARD OF  
15 SUPERVISORS. SO WHO WILL SUPERVISE IT? AND WHAT ABOUT THE GAS  
16 EXPLOSION THAT HAPPENED IN SAN REMO IN SAN FRANCISCO? WHO  
17 SUPERVISED? WHO HAS OVERSIGHT FOR THESE PIPELINES? AND WHO'S  
18 COLLECTING THE PROPRIETARY FEES? HOW IS THAT DISTRIBUTED IN  
19 THE COUNTY? THE CITY GETS PIPELINE REVENUE FEES. WHAT DOES THE  
20 COUNTY GET? HOW MUCH MONEY IS INVOLVED HERE? NONE OF THAT IS  
21 INVOLVED ON THIS ITEM ON THE AGENDA. IT'S NOT A HEARING FOR  
22 THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA. IT'S A HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE BECAUSE  
23 THE ORDINANCE IS IN EFFECT PUTTING THE ITEM ALREADY INTO  
24 MOTION. SO HOW MANY PEOPLE HERE ARE FOR THE ORDINANCE? TWO.  
25 EXCUSE ME.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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4 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. THIS SHOULDN'T TAKE BUT A  
5 SECOND. YOU KNOW, IT SAYS COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND  
6 DISTRIBUTION OF PETROLEUM AND THE TRANSFERENCE OF THIS  
7 CONTRACT. YOU KNOW, IT'S EARTH DAY. THE ENVIRONMENT WAS A BIG  
8 THEME TODAY. I ALSO WITNESSED THE MELTING OF THE LONG BEACH  
9 FREEWAY YESTERDAY IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF CRUDE OIL. I KNOW  
10 THAT A LOT OF THE DECISIONS THAT ARE MADE FOR THESE CONTRACTS  
11 AND THE TRANSFERENCE OF COMPANIES, I'M HOPING IT'S FOR THE  
12 GREATER OF THE WHOLE, BECAUSE THE DISASTERS THAT WE HAVE  
13 POTENTIAL WITH TRANSPORTING SOME OF THESE FOSSIL FUELS ARE  
14 CATASTROPHIC. THE FACT IS EVEN ACROSS THE UNITED STATES WITH  
15 SOME OF THE FRACKING, SOME OF THE EARTH SHIFTING, YOU KNOW,  
16 WHEN YOU MESS WITH MOTHER EARTH AND SHE GETS A LITTLE  
17 IRRITATED, SHE'S GOING TO GET YOUR ATTENTION. THIS IS ALL FOR  
18 A LITTLE BIT OF GREED, MONEY, CONVENIENCE. I LIKE THE ENGINES  
19 JUST AS MUCH AS ANYBODY ELSE. THEY'RE QUITE THRILLING. BUT AT  
20 WHAT COST? WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO TO MOTHER EARTH FOR THE  
21 GENERATIONS BEHIND US? WE KEEP EXTRACTING THE LIFEBLOOD OF THE  
22 EARTH SO WE CAN TRAVEL AROUND IT AT WARP SPEED. COME ON. IT'S  
23 ABOUT PRIORITIES. I JUST HOPE THAT THE REGULATION OF THE  
24 HANDLING OF THIS PETROLEUM DOESN'T MELT ANOTHER FREEWAY, CAUSE  
25 A HILLSIDE TO GO UP IN FLAMES, THAT PEOPLE LIVE PEACEFULLY.



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1 AND I KNOW THAT THE CARE AND CONCERN THAT THIS BOARD LOOKS  
2 INTO STUFF, THIS HAS BEEN CHECKED OUT. I JUST HOPE THAT THE  
3 PEOPLE THAT WORK UNDERNEATH YOU HAVE THE SAME HEART AND  
4 SINCERITY.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'LL MOVE IT AND SECOND IT WITHOUT  
7 OBJECTION SO ORDERED. AND NUMBER 4?

8

9 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ITEM NUMBER 4 THIS IS A  
10 HEARING OF AN ADOPTION GRANTING AN ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION  
11 FRANCHISE TO SIERRA SOLAR GREENWORKS L.L.C. TO CONDUCT AND  
12 TRANSMIT ELECTRICITY BEGINNING MAY 28, 2015 AND TERMINATING  
13 JUNE 11, 2049. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. NO  
14 CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED AND WE HAVE TWO MEMBERS OF THE  
15 PUBLIC.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET ME GO TO LANCASTER TO  
18 VIRGINIA STOUT. VIRGINIA? AND THEN HERE WILL BE ARNOLD SACHS.

19

20 **VIRGINIA STOUT:** GREETINGS TO THE NEW SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND  
21 SOLIS AND BELATED GREETINGS TO MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS AND GOOD  
22 MORNING TO MR. ANTONOVICH AND MR. KNABE. I'D LIKE TO, AS A  
23 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ANTELOPE BAKERS' TOWN COUNCIL WHICH THIS  
24 TRANSMISSION LINE WILL BE GOING THROUGH DOWN THE STREETS IN  
25 OUR AREA BUT I AM OBJECTING TO THE FACT THAT ONCE THE SOLAR

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1 PROJECTS ARE VOTED ON, WE NEVER HEAR FROM ANYONE AGAIN. WE  
2 DON'T GET ANY KIND OF NOTIFICATION. NO ONE FROM THE GREEN  
3 WORKS COMPANY KEEPS US UP-TO-DATE EXACTLY WHAT'S GOING ON. WE  
4 HEAR ABOUT THESE THINGS KIND OF AFTER THE FACT. AND WHEN  
5 SOMEBODY ASKS US A QUESTION, WE FEEL LIKE WE REALLY CAN'T  
6 ANSWER IT BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW. SO WE'RE REQUESTING THAT  
7 ANYTHING LIKE WHO THE FRANCHISE, IT IS IMPORTANT TO US. THEY  
8 ARE A LONG WAY FROM YOU. BUT WHAT GOES ON OUT HERE AND WHO'S  
9 MANAGING IT AND WHO SHOULD BE IN CHARGE AND WHAT'S GOING ON  
10 AND ALL OF THESE LITTLE DETAILS ARE REALLY IMPORTANT TO THE  
11 PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN ANTELOPE BAKERS. SO WE'RE REQUESTING THAT  
12 ANYTHING THAT GOES BEFORE THE BOARD OR THE BOARD OF  
13 SUPERVISORS, IT HAS TO COME TO YOU. IT SHOULD HAVE COME BEFORE  
14 US FIRST. AND WE'D LIKE TO SEE IF THERE COULD BE SOME KIND OF  
15 A CORRECTION ON THAT. AS IT IS, WE CAN'T -- WE DON'T REALLY  
16 KNOW EXACTLY WHOM THIS GREEN WORKS OF DELAWARE COMPANY IS. MR.  
17 GOLARE HAS NEVER TALKED TO US. SO WE'D JUST LIKE TO MAKE THAT  
18 REQUEST. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT YOU WILL SORT OF ENFORCE  
19 THAT, HOPEFULLY, A LITTLE MORE STRICTLY. WE JUST FOUND OUT  
20 ABOUT IT ACCIDENTALLY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, VIRGINIA. THIS WAS  
23 REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO MAKE THE  
24 TRANSMISSION LINES UNDERGROUNDED. BUT WHAT I'M GOING TO DO IS

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1 HAVE PUBLIC WORKS CONTACT YOU AND THE TOWN COUNCIL TO EXPLAIN  
2 THAT.

3

4 **VIRGINIA STOUT:** OH, THAT WOULD BE VERY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU.  
5 YOU CAN EXPLAIN THAT TO THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. I APOLOGIZE, ACTUALLY, BECAUSE  
10 THIS IS THE ONE THAT HAS THE DATE. THIS IS FROM APRIL 7TH,  
11 2015. AND ACTUALLY WHEN YOU SIGN UP FOR THIS ITEM, IT WAS ITEM  
12 33 GRANTING THE PROPRIETARY ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION FRANCHISE  
13 TO SIERRA SOLAR GREEN WORKS. AND THEN SOME OTHER INFORMATION.  
14 AND APPROVE FOR INTRODUCTION PUBLIC HEARING ON APRIL 28, 2015  
15 ORDINANCE TO GRANT THE PROPRIETARY ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION  
16 FRANCHISE TO SIERRA IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF ANTELOPE  
17 VALLEY AND PUBLISH A NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING. AND IT SAYS  
18 DOWN HERE IT RELATES TO AGENDA ITEM 46. AND ITEM 46 FROM APRIL  
19 7TH ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION GRANTING ELECTRICAL  
20 TRANSMISSION FRANCHISE TO SIERRA SOLAR GREENWORKS TO CONDUCT  
21 ELECTRICITY BEGINNING MAY 28, 2015. SO EXCUSE ME. SO BEFORE  
22 YOU EVEN HAD THE HEARING, BEFORE YOU HAD ANY INPUT FROM  
23 ANYBODY IN THE PUBLIC, A AND B, YOU'RE GRANTING AN ELECTRIC, A  
24 BEGINNING DATE FOR THEM TO BEGIN TRANSMITTING ELECTRICITY AND  
25 HERE YOU'RE HAVING A HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE. YOU'RE NOT

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1 HAVING A HEARING ON THE ACTUAL MAKEUP OF WHAT'S GOING ON. THE  
2 YOUNG LADY JUST MENTIONED SHE HAS NO INFORMATION. TALK ABOUT  
3 THE ORDINANCE. AND, AGAIN, THIS IS SOMETHING ELSE THAT I  
4 BELIEVE -- AND LITTLE MISINFORMED BUT I'M SOMEWHAT CLOSE TO  
5 FIRST BASE HERE THIS WAS AN ITEM THAT WAS IN THE STATE  
6 LEGISLATURE REGARDING THE ABILITY OF ELECTRICAL COMPANIES TO  
7 USE OPEN SPACE OR TO APPLY FOR OPEN SPACE TO DO SOLAR PANELING  
8 IN ANY UNCONFORMED AREA THAT THEY STILL WISH AS LONG AS THEY  
9 CAN MEET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS? AND THAT WAS THE WAY THE  
10 LEGISLATION WASN'T SUPPOSED TO BE WRITTEN BUT THAT WAS HOW IT  
11 WAS INTERPRETED. AND SO PEOPLE ARE NOW BECOME VICTIMS OF  
12 UTILITY COMPANIES OR IN THIS CASE PROPRIETARY TRANSMISSION  
13 WHOEVER LIABILITY COMPANIES THAT WILL ALLOW THEM TO PUT SOLAR  
14 TRANSMITTING UNITS IN UNCONFORMED SPACES AS LONG AS THEY MEET  
15 MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AND YOU'LL BE COMING IN TO HEAR ABOUT AN  
16 ORDINANCE, NEVER MIND THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK ABOUT IT. SO WHY  
17 DON'T YOU SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE STATE  
18 LEGISLATURE ASKING THEM TO CLARIFY THE RULES THAT THEY VOTED  
19 ON BECAUSE I'M PRETTY SURE IT WAS A STORY IN THE L.A. TIMES  
20 ABOUT THE PERSON WHO PROPOSE THIS HAD LEGISLATION AND HE SAID  
21 THAT THE INTENTION WASN'T WHAT IS THE REALITY OF WHAT WAS  
22 HAPPENING. I DON'T HEAR ANYBODY SAYING WE OUGHT TO HAVE THEM  
23 STRAIGHTEN THIS OUT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC. I'M OUT OF  
24 TIME.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. MOTION BY -- I'LL  
2    MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
3    ORDERED.

4

5    **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON ITEM NO. 5, THIS IS A  
6    HEARING ON PROJECT NO. R2014-01331 ALL DISTRICTS AND ADVANCE  
7    PLANNING NUMBER 2014-00005 ALL DISTRICTS RELATING TO AN  
8    ORDINANCE AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 22, PLANNING AND ZONING,  
9    TO ESTABLISH COMPREHENSIVE AND REASONABLE STANDARDS FOR  
10   CONDUCTING YARD SALES ON PRIVATE PROPERTIES IN UNINCORPORATED  
11   COMMUNITIES OF THE COUNTY. ON THIS ITEM, THERE IS A  
12   DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED. WE DO  
13   HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THIS.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IT WILL BE CONTINUED. BUT  
16   SOME PEOPLE HAD SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON IT.

17

18   **JONATHAN BELL:** GOOD MORNING MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
19   BOARD. MY NAME IS JONATHAN BELL WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF  
20   REGIONAL PLANNING. I AM BEFORE YOU TODAY ON AGENDA ITEM NO. 5,  
21   A PROPOSED UPDATE TO SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY'S PLANNING AND  
22   ZONING CODE ADDRESSING YARD SALES. THE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT WAS  
23   DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO YOUR MOTION OF APRIL 9, 2015, DRAFT  
24   NEW ORDINANCES TO ENABLE MORE EFFECTIVE ABATEMENT OF EXTENDED  
25   YARD SALES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

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1 AMENDMENT RESPONDS TO YOUR REQUEST. THIS AMENDMENT ESTABLISHES  
2 COMPREHENSIVE AND REASONABLE STANDARDS FOR CONDUCTING YARD  
3 SALES. SPECIFICALLY, THE ORDINANCE AUTHORIZES YARD SALES AS AN  
4 ACCESSORY AND TEMPORARY USE ON ANY PRIVATE PROPERTY WITH ONE  
5 OR MORE DWELLING UNITS IN ANY ZONE, ESTABLISHES A CALENDAR  
6 YEAR SYSTEM TO MONITOR YARD SALES, AUTHORIZES ONE DESIGNATED  
7 WEEKEND PER MONTH TO CONDUCT A YARD SALE AT A PROPERTY, ALLOWS  
8 UP TO 2 ADDITIONAL NONDESIGNATED WEEKENDS DURING THE CALENDAR  
9 YEAR TO CONDUCT A YARD SALE WITH PRIOR REGISTRATION FROM  
10 REGIONAL PLANNING. AND ENHANCES ZONING ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES  
11 TO ENABLE EFFICIENT ABATEMENT OF EXTENDED YARD SALES AS  
12 DIRECTED IN YOUR BOARD MOTION. REGIONAL PLANNING AND COUNTY  
13 COUNSEL HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE PLANNING DEPUTIES, OUR  
14 COUNTY PARTNERS AND THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO  
15 DEVELOP THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE. THE ORDINANCE HAS GARNERED  
16 STRONG SUPPORT FROM OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS. ON NOVEMBER 19,  
17 2014, THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HELD A PUBLIC HEARING  
18 ON THIS MATTER. AFTER TAKING TESTIMONY AND CONSIDERING THE  
19 PROJECT, THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDED ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE  
20 AMENDMENT. THEREFORE, AT THIS TIME, STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT YOUR  
21 BOARD APPROVE AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AS RECOMMENDED  
22 BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. MR. MAYOR, THIS CONCLUDES  
23 THE DEPARTMENT'S STATEMENT. WE'RE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY  
24 QUESTIONS. THANK YOU.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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3    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR AND  
4    COLLEAGUES. MAY I SIMPLY SUGGEST TO YOU THAT THIS ISSUE WAS  
5    BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD IN 2012 PURSUANT TO REQUEST FROM  
6    CONSTITUENTS IN THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT WHO THOUGHT,  
7    AND WISELY SO, THAT THIS IS A MATTER THAT NEEDED TO BE  
8    ADDRESSED. AND SO TODAY, WE ARE SIMPLY SEEKING TO MOVE A  
9    PROCESS FORWARD THAT HAS BEEN IN THE MAKING FOR SOME 2-1/2  
10   YEARS. THE DESIRE FOR RE-VISITING THIS ORDINANCE HAS BEEN  
11   COMMUNITY DRIVEN. SO I ACKNOWLEDGE THOSE COMMUNITY  
12   STAKEHOLDERS. THE MOTION THAT BROUGHT US FORWARD AS WE WENT  
13   THROUGH A LOT OF DISCUSSION PURSUANT TO THE STAFF'S  
14   DELINEATION OF THE MATTER IS REALLY TO SET FORTH A FAIR MINDED  
15   AND CLEARER STANDARDS BY WHICH EVERYONE CAN GOVERN THEMSELVES  
16   AND UPHOLD COMMUNITY STANDARDS FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY TO  
17   MAKE IT CLEARER AND EASIER AND TO MAKE IT ENFORCEABLE. BAD LAW  
18   IS LAW OR ORDINANCES THAT ARE ON THE BOOKS THAT CAN'T BE  
19   ENFORCED. AND ONCE WE ADOPT SOMETHING, WE SHOULD DO SO. I'M  
20   AWARE THAT THERE ARE PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON THE  
21   MATTER. MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I TRUST THAT WE WILL EXTEND  
22   THEM THAT COURTESY AND PROCEED WITH THE MATTER ACCORDINGLY. IT  
23   IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE'S A DESIRE FOR US TO EXTEND THE  
24   ISSUE FOR 30 DAYS BEFORE WE ULTIMATELY FOCUS ON THE ADOPTION.  
25   SUPERVISOR SOLIS WILL SPEAK TO THAT. AND IT WILL BE MY TO



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1 ACCOMMODATE THE REQUEST PURSUANT TO THE BOARD'S WISHES. I DO  
2 WANT TO SAY THAT THIS IS A LOT OF WORK FOR A LONG TIME. AND  
3 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. WITH THAT, MR. MAYOR,  
4 PERHAPS WE COULD HEAR FROM THOSE THAT CAME TO BE HEARD OR AS  
5 YOU MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE ANY OTHER MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. FIRST WE'LL GO TO THE ANTELOPE  
8 VALLEY WITH VIRGINIA STOUT. I'M ALSO GOING TO CALL UP IN LOS  
9 ANGELES CLAUDIA HERNANDEZ, JOYCE COBB, JOSEPH TITUS, WILLIAM  
10 ALLEN. MS. STOUT?

11

12 **VIRGINIA STOUT:** THANK YOU. REPRESENTING THE ANTELOPE BAKERS  
13 TOWN COUNCIL WHEN THE COUNTY PLANNING CAME AND DESCRIBED AND  
14 TALKED ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR ITEM IT WAS PRETTY UNANIMOUS THAT  
15 PEOPLE IN THE AREA DIDN'T FEEL LIKE WE HAD ANY PROBLEM. WE'RE  
16 WAY OUT IN A RURAL AREA. THERE'S LARGE LOTS. PEOPLE DON'T --  
17 WHEN PEOPLE HAVE A YARD SALE, THEY'RE USUALLY DOING IT BECAUSE  
18 THEY'RE MOVING. AND THE IDEA THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO ONLY WAIT  
19 FOR A SPECIFIC DAY OR THEY WOULD HAVE TO GO GET A PERMIT AND  
20 IF THEY WANTED TO EXTEND IT ANOTHER DAY IS REALLY -- IT'S NOT  
21 GOING TO HAPPEN. I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW YOU COULD ENFORCE IT  
22 WAY OUT THERE. SO WE FEEL THAT WE SHOULD BE GIVEN AN EXCEPTION  
23 OR POSSIBLY IF YOU COULD POSTPONE THIS SO WE COULD TALK ABOUT  
24 THIS A LITTLE BIT? THE IDEA OF HAVING NUISANCE YARD SALES IS  
25 SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE ADDRESSED, BUT WE FEEL THAT

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1 DEFINITELY THERE IS -- IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT WE FEEL EXTENDS  
2 TO OUR AREA. AND IT'S LIKELY TO MAKE PEOPLE REALLY UNHAPPY ON  
3 THAT. SO WE'D LIKE YOU TO CONSIDER THAT, THE FACT THAT PERHAPS  
4 IN AN AREA THAT'S VERY RURAL AND NOT VERY LIKELY TO BE  
5 AFFECTED WHERE PEOPLE REALLY DO FEEL THE NEED TO HAVE A YARD  
6 SALE ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY'RE MOVING AND ARE NOT LIKELY TO WANT  
7 TO GO GET A PERMIT FOR THINGS LIKE THAT AND FOR YOU TO  
8 CONSIDER THAT. AND WE'D LIKE TO POSSIBLY BE ABLE TO TALK TO  
9 THE COUNTY PLANNING ABOUT THAT A LITTLE MORE. THANK YOU VERY  
10 MUCH.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THIS ITEM'S  
13 BEING CONTINUED AS STATED. WHOEVER WANTS TO GO FIRST.

14

15 **CLAUDIA HERNANDEZ:** I'LL GO FIRST. HELLO MY NAME IS CLAUDIA  
16 HERNANDEZ. I AM HERE REPRESENTING MR. EPHRON MARTINEZ,  
17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE/WALNUT PARK  
18 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AS HE WASN'T ABLE TO ATTEND DUE TO A  
19 PERSONAL MATTER. IT IS WITH GREAT ENTHUSIASM THAT THE  
20 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE/WALNUT PARK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
21 RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT AND APPROVAL OF THE NEWLY  
22 PROPOSED YARD SALE ORDINANCE. OUR FLORENCE FIRESTONE AND  
23 WALNUT PARK BUSINESS COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY  
24 SUFFERING FROM UNLICENSED VENDORS AND ILLEGAL YARD SALES FOR  
25 FAR TOO LONG. FOR THOSE REASONS, THE CHAMBER HAS PARTNERED

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1 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING  
2 AND LOCAL CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATIONS AND HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR  
3 THE PAST FEW MONTHS ON POLICIES AND PROGRAMS THAT HAVE THE  
4 POTENTIAL TO ACCELERATE LOCAL BUSINESS GROWTH AND JOB  
5 CREATION. EXTENDED YARD SALES ARE A COMMON PROBLEM IN THE  
6 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AND WALNUT PARK COMMUNITIES. UNFORTUNATELY  
7 EXTENDED YARD SALES HAVE BECOME A DAILY ACTIVITY WHICH  
8 TRANSFORM RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS INTO COMMERCIAL AREAS AND  
9 UNDERCUT BRICK AND MORTAR BUSINESSES. AS A RESULT, OUR  
10 COMMUNITY'S QUALITY OF LIFE AND ECONOMIC VIABILITY IS GREATLY  
11 REDUCED TO INCLUDE COSTING OUR COMMUNITIES MUCH NEEDED LOCAL  
12 JOBS. IT IS OUR SINCERE BELIEF THAT THE AMENDED ORDINANCE IS A  
13 TRUE COMPROMISE BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ITS CONSTITUENTS  
14 AND THE SMALL LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND THEREFORE WE ONCE  
15 AGAIN RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT AND APPROVAL FOR THE  
16 NEWLY PROPOSED YARD SALE ORDINANCE.

17  
18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

19  
20 **JOYCE CRAWFORD:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I, JOYCE CRAWFORD, AM A MEMBER  
21 OF THE BETHUNE BLOCK CLUB AND A MEMBER OF THE FLORENCE-  
22 FIRESTONE LEADERS. I'M IN TOTAL SUPPORT OF THE ORDINANCE FOR  
23 THE YARD SALES. AND I JUST WANT TO RECOMMEND THAT WE GO ON  
24 WITH IT.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

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3    **JOSEPH TITUS:** MY NAME IS JOSEPH TITUS. I WAS BORN AND  
4    RAISED IN FLORENCE-FIRESTONE. AND THE PRESENT YARD SALE  
5    ORDINANCE IS COMPLETELY BROKEN. WE HAVE 365 DAYS OF YARD SALES  
6    EVERY DAY IN EVERY AREA. NO ONE -- IT WOULD TAKE 20 CODE  
7    ENFORCEMENT MEMBERS TO ENFORCE THE LAW AS IT IS WRITTEN NOW.  
8    WITH THIS NEW LAW, MAYBE THE PRESENT CODE ENFORCEMENT PEOPLE  
9    COULD HANDLE THE LAW. IT'S JUST EVERY DAY THERE IS A PARKING  
10   PROBLEM WITH PEOPLE USING THE YARD SALES. THERE'S NO ROOM TO  
11   PARK. THEY PARK IN DRIVEWAYS. AND IT'S, AS I SAY, 365 DAYS A  
12   YEAR. AND I WISH I COULD GET SOMEBODY TO LISTEN TO US. WE'VE  
13   BEEN TRYING FOR ABOUT FIVE TO SEVEN YEARS TO GET SOMETHING  
14   CHANGED. AND IT'S FINALLY IN THE BOOKS, I HOPE. PLEASE VOTE  
15   FOR A CHANGE. THANK YOU.

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP  
18   WILLIAM ALLEN, HENRY PORTER, ERICA PINTO. YES, SIR.

19

20   **WILLIAM ALLEN:** MY NAME IS WILLIAM ALLEN. AND I AM A PART OF  
21   THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE COMMUNITY LEADERS. I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF  
22   THE ATTSWORTH ENVIRONMENTAL BLOCK ORGANIZATION. AND I'M IN  
23   FAVOR OF THIS NEW ORDINANCE. SO JUST LIKE MR. TITUS SAID, YARD  
24   SALES ARE BECOMING A BIG PROBLEM IN OUR COMMUNITY BECAUSE

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1 PEOPLE ARE BLOCKING THE STREETS. THIS REDUCES OUR PROPERTY  
2 VALUES. SO THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. AND ALSO MR. SACHS.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. I  
7 WAS ACTUALLY LOOKING AT THIS AND SAYING YOUR ONLY GOVERNANCE  
8 IS OVER THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. I BELIEVE THAT COUNCILMAN  
9 PRICE HAD THE SAME PROBLEM IN THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AREA IN  
10 HIS COUNCIL DISTRICT. AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, I BELIEVE,  
11 WAS ALSO CONSIDERING AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW STREET VENDORS TO  
12 HAVE PERMITS TO SELL GOODS. AND SO IF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
13 GOES AHEAD AND SAYS IT'S OKAY FOR THEM TO SELL, GIVE THESE  
14 PERMITS TO STREET VENDORS, HOW DOES THAT INTERACT WITH THE  
15 COUNTY'S ACTION? I KNOW THAT THE COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED AREA  
16 WHERE THOSE BOUNDARIES LIE AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF COUNTY  
17 ORDINANCE VERSUS CITY ORDINANCE IS A LITTLE GRAY AREA, BUT  
18 WILL YOU SAY, OKAY, WELL IF THEY GO TO THE CITY OF LOS  
19 ANGELES, THEY CAN GET A PERMIT? AND I UNDERSTAND, TO A CERTAIN  
20 DEGREE, THE DIFFICULTY THAT THE ECONOMY, I BELIEVE IT'S THE  
21 ECONOMY, STUPID. NO, IT'S NOT THE STUPID ECONOMY THAT CAUSES A  
22 LOT OF PEOPLE TO DO THIS, BUT THEN AGAIN THERE'S A LOT OF  
23 PEOPLE WHO DO IT WHO MAKE A LOT OF MONEY OUT OF THIS SITUATION  
24 BECAUSE THEY'RE GOOD AT WHAT THEY DO AND THEY REALIZE THERE'S  
25 A NEED FOR THESE SERVICES, PER SE. AND THEY ARE CHEATING MOM

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1 AND MOP SMALL BUSINESSES OUT OF REVENUE THAT THEY NEED BECAUSE  
2 THE SMALL BUSINESSES PAY FEES FOR THE CONCRETE STRUCTURES THAT  
3 THEY OCCUPY, WHEREAS THESE PEOPLE WHO HAVE THESE YARD SALES  
4 TYPE BUSINESSES ON THE SIDEWALK DON'T PAY FOR THE STRUCTURAL  
5 COST OF DOING BUSINESS. BUT THE CITY'S GOING TO GO AHEAD AND  
6 PASS THIS ORDINANCE BECAUSE IT ENCOMPASSES SO MUCH MORE THAN  
7 YARD BUSINESS. IT ENCOMPASSES THOSE PEOPLE THAT SELL FOOD AND  
8 BEVERAGES AND ALL KINDS OF THINGS THAT YOU CAN SEE ALL AROUND  
9 THE CITY. I DON'T KNOW NECESSARILY THAT SAYS IT ADDS COLOR TO  
10 THE CITY OR DISTRACTS FROM THE CITY. BUT THERE'S A LOT OF  
11 PEOPLE INVOLVED IN IT. IT'S A SECOND AND THIRD JOB FOR A LOT  
12 OF PEOPLE BECAUSE OF THE COST OF LIVING IN THE COUNTY AND THE  
13 CITY OF LOS ANGELES. BY THE WAY, DID ANYBODY OF YOU READ THAT  
14 REPORT THAT WAS DONE BY THE CITY ABOUT HOW THE CITY OF LOS  
15 ANGELES, 40 PERCENT OF THE PUBLIC LIVES BELOW POVERTY LINE?  
16 YOU OUGHT TO TAKE A LOOK AT IT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE HAVE A MOTION TO CONTINUE THE  
19 ITEM. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I JUST WANT TO THANK  
22 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR EXTENDING ME THE COURTESY OF  
23 ALLOWING US TO HAVE A FURTHER DEBATE, DISCUSSION AND DUE  
24 DILIGENCE OUT IN MY DISTRICT WHERE EAST LOS ANGELES, THE AREA  
25 OF BASSETT, UNINCORPORATED AND VALINDA, WE HAVE WELL OVER

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1 200,000 FOLKS THAT I REPRESENT IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND  
2 THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE A CHANCE TO GET  
3 INFORMATION OUT TO THEM. SO I WOULD ASK THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
4 REGIONAL PLANNING HELP US TO PROVIDE THE RIGHT INFORMATION AND  
5 APPROPRIATE TOOLS, PARTICULARLY TO THE DIFFERENT CULTURAL  
6 GROUPS THAT ARE THERE, IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS, ASIAN, LATINO  
7 AND WHAT HAVE YOU, TO JUST GET THE INFORMATION OUT. I KNOW  
8 THIS IS A GRAVE CONCERN TO MANY RESIDENTS AND HOMEOWNERS. I  
9 HAPPEN TO LIVE IN A CITY THAT HAS SOME STRICT ORDINANCES. BUT  
10 YET I DO SEE VIOLATIONS THERE. SO I KNOW IT IS A TOUGH JOB.  
11 AND I AM SYMPATHETIC. AND IN MANY WAYS I JUST THINK IT'S  
12 IMPORTANT TO LET PEOPLE KNOW WHAT'S COMING. THEY MAY NOT BE  
13 FAMILIAR. SO I AGAIN THANK YOU FOR THIS CONTINUANCE OF 30  
14 DAYS. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AND THE PLANNING  
15 DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. SO WE'LL HAVE A DATE CERTAIN  
18 SET FORTH TO RETURN AND TO ESTABLISH.

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** MAY 26TH.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MAY 26TH. SO FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED  
23 IN BEING HERE FOR THAT, WE WILL CONTINUE THE ITEM UNTIL THAT  
24 POINT IN TIME AND IN THE INTERIM WORK OUT WHATEVER NEEDS TO BE  
25 CONSIDERED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS IS A  
5 HEARING ON PROJECT NO. R2014-00768-5 LOCATED AT 2408 LINCOLN  
6 AVENUE IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA WITHIN THE  
7 ALTADENA ZONE DISTRICT TO AUTHORIZE A TYPE 21 ALCOHOL LICENSE  
8 FOR OFF-SITE FULL LINE ALCOHOL SALES AT AN EXISTING MARKET  
9 APPLIED FOR BY WALMART STORES L.L.C. THIS IS AN APPEAL FROM  
10 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL HAVE THERE IS A  
11 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM. CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
12 SUBMITTED AND THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE  
13 ITEM.

14

15 **STEVE MARR:** MORNING, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE  
16 BOARD. MY NAME IS STEVE MARR WITH THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
17 COMMISSION, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE AGENDA  
18 ITEM BEFORE YOU IS A REQUEST FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO  
19 AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF FULL-LINE ALCOHOL FOR OUTSIDE  
20 CONSUMPTION AT AN EXISTING WALMART NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET LOCATED  
21 AT 2408 LINCOLN AVENUE IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF  
22 ALTADENA. THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST WAS APPROVED BY  
23 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON JANUARY 14, 2015. STAFF  
24 HAS RECEIVED 31 COMMENT LETTERS IN SUPPORT OF THE REQUEST, 4  
25 LETTERS IN OPPOSITION TO THE REQUEST AND A PETITION WITH 164

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1 SIGNATURES OPPOSED TO THE REQUEST. THE ALTADENA SHERIFF'S  
2 DEPARTMENT AND THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL BOTH APPROVE OF THE  
3 REQUEST. STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE BOARD FIND THE PROJECT  
4 CATEGORY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
5 AND DENY THE APPEAL AND UPHOLD THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
6 COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND  
7 INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY FINDINGS TO  
8 AFFIRM THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL. THIS  
9 CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION AND I'M AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM. FIRST,  
12 LET ME CALL UP LISA KOLIEB, MICHELLE MARTINEZ, ZACH  
13 SHACKLEFORD. BEN DAVIS.

14

15 **LISA KOLIEB:** GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF  
16 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LISA KOLIEB. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF  
17 WALMART. THE ADDITION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IS AN ADDED  
18 CONVENIENCE THAT OUR CUSTOMERS CONTINUALLY ASK FOR AS THEY  
19 EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO PURCHASE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AT A GROCERY  
20 STORE. OUR CUSTOMERS ARE GENERALLY NOT SINGLE PURCHASE  
21 CUSTOMERS WHO WILL BE COMING IN JUST TO BUY ALCOHOL. THEY  
22 WOULD BUY THESE PRODUCTS ALONG WITH THE OTHER ITEMS ON THEIR  
23 GROCERY LISTS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS CONCERN FROM A FEW  
24 NEIGHBORS REGARDING THE SALE OF ALCOHOL NEAR RESIDENCES WHERE  
25 CHILDREN LIVE. WE WANT TO MAKE CLEAR WHAT WALMART IS APPLYING

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1 FOR. THIS IS A C.U.P. TO PERMIT THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC  
2 BEVERAGES FOR OFFSITE CONSUMPTION ANCILLARY TO ITS PRIMARY USE  
3 GROCERY SALES. THIS IS NOT A BAR OR A LIQUOR STORE BOTH OF  
4 WHICH OFTEN DRAW THE TYPES OF CONCERNS RAISED IN THE LETTERS  
5 SUBMITTED. THE SALE OF ALCOHOL AT A RESPONSIBLE GROCERY STORE  
6 IS HARDLY A MORAL HAZARD. WALMART TAKES ITS ROLE AS A  
7 RESPONSIBLE VENDOR OF ALCOHOL VERY SERIOUSLY. AT ALL OF ITS  
8 STORES THAT SELL ALCOHOL IT IMPLEMENTS POLICIES DESIGNED TO  
9 PROVIDE A SAFE AND SECURITY ENVIRONMENT FOR CUSTOMERS AND THE  
10 SURROUNDING COMMUNITY WHICH INCLUDE THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY  
11 INCLUDING SECURITY CAMERAS, TRAINING, THE CONSTANT MONITORING  
12 OF THE STORE AND PARKING LOT AND THE TERMINATION OF ASSOCIATES  
13 WHO SELL ALCOHOL TO MINORS OR INTOXICATED PERSONS. IN ADDITION  
14 TO IMPLEMENTING ITS OWN POLICIES, WALMART HAS AGREED TO A  
15 NUMBER OF CONDITIONS AT THIS LOCATION WHICH WILL FURTHER  
16 ENSURE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR PATRONS AND THE SURROUNDING  
17 COMMUNITY. ALTHOUGH APPELLANTS ARGUED THAT ANOTHER VENDOR OF  
18 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED ACROSS THE STREET  
19 FROM THEIR LIQUOR STORE, THERE IS NO PROHIBITION IN THE COUNTY  
20 CODE FOR WALMART'S C.U.P. ALL STAR LIQUOR OPPOSES THE PROJECT  
21 BECAUSE IT DOES NOT WANT COMPETITION. THE CODE DOES NOT  
22 PROHIBIT COMPETITION. ADDING LIQUOR TO WALMART'S PRODUCT LINE  
23 CONSTITUTES A PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY BECAUSE IT  
24 PROVIDES PRODUCTS THAT ARE COMPLEMENTARY TO THE MARKET'S OTHER  
25 PRODUCTS. IN FACT THE PLANNING COMMISSION ALREADY MADE THIS

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1 FINDING. WALMART A SMALL FRACTION OF THE ITEMS A NUMBER OF  
2 BEER, WINE AND SPIRITS THAN A BROADER LIQUOR STORE AND  
3 WALMART'S ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PRODUCTS WILL ONLY BE 1.2 PERCENT  
4 OF THE TOTAL SHELF SPACE IN THE STORE. FINALLY DESPITE THE FEW  
5 LETTERS THAT WERE SUBMITTED OPPOSING THIS C.U.P. WALMART HAS  
6 THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMUNITY FOR THIS APPLICATION INCLUDING  
7 THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL AND THE COUNTY SHERIFF. IT SHOULD BE  
8 NOTED THAT THE PETITIONS SUBMITTED BY THE APPELLANTS INCLUDE A  
9 NUMBER OF SIGNATURES THAT WERE OBTAINED BEFORE WALMART MET  
10 WITH THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL AND AGREED TO THE CONDITIONS TO  
11 ADDRESS THE COMMUNITY CONCERNS, MAKING THE PETITION NOT ONLY  
12 INACCURATE BUT MISLEADING. TO CONCLUDE, WE ASK THAT YOU DENY  
13 THE APPEAL AND APPROVE WALMART'S C.U.P. WALMART, AS AN  
14 INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION, IMPOSES A NUMBER OF POLICIES  
15 DESIGNED TO ENSURE SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE SALE OF ALCOHOL.  
16 WALMART IS VERY CAREFUL NOT TO SELL TO MINORS. ITS CASHIERS  
17 ARE WELL TRAINED. THE DISPLAY AREA IS MONITORED THE PARKING  
18 LOT IS WELL LIT AND PATROLLED. WITH ALL OF THOSE, WALMART  
19 WISHES TO ADD THE SALE OF ALCOHOL AS A CONVENIENCE TO ITS  
20 CUSTOMER BASE. THANK YOU FOR THE CONSIDERATION.

21  
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

23  
24 **MICHELLE MARTINEZ:** MY NAME IS MICHELLE MARTINEZ, I'M HERE  
25 REPRESENTING THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL. I REPRESENT CENSUS

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1 TRACT 4610 WHICH IS IN WEST ALTADENA WHICH IS WHERE THE  
2 WALMART NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET IS LOCATED. THE ALTADENA TOWN  
3 COUNCIL HAS VOTED TWICE TO SUPPORT THE ALCOHOL C.U.P. FOR  
4 WALMART. ONCE AT THE LAND USE COMMITTEE AND THEN AGAIN AT THE  
5 FULL TOWN COUNCIL BOARD MEETING. NOT ONLY IS THIS SUPPORT  
6 LOCATED IN WEST ALTADENA BUT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.  
7 WE HAVE A PROBLEM IN ALTADENA AND IT DOESN'T HAVE TO DO WITH  
8 ALCOHOL. IT HAS TO DO WITH THE COMMITMENT OF RESPONSIBLE SALES  
9 OF ALCOHOL. THE SOLUTION TO THIS IS MOVING SALES OF ALCOHOL  
10 INSIDE GROCERY STORES, WHERE THERE IS LESS LOITERING AND LESS  
11 PROBLEMS RELATED TO ALCOHOL SALES. AND TO ILLUSTRATE THIS, THE  
12 FOLLOWING TWO STATEMENTS FROM INDIVIDUALS THAT SIGNED PROTESTS  
13 AGAINST WALMART SELLING ALCOHOL STATE: INES OTIS STATES  
14 "ONGOING THINGS HAPPEN TO OUR AREA BECAUSE OF LIQUOR STORES.  
15 IT BRINGS UNDESIRABLE PEOPLE LOITERING AROUND THE STORE  
16 CAUSING VIOLENCE IN OUR AREA." AND MARTHA FRANKO STATES "I  
17 DON'T WANT ANOTHER LIQUOR STORE IN THE AREA. TOO MANY  
18 PROBLEMS." AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THIS AND OTHER STATEMENTS AT  
19 NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETINGS THE CONCERNS HAVE NOTHING TO DO  
20 WITH WALMART'S SALE OF LIQUOR, RATHER THE ISSUE RELATED TO  
21 LIQUOR STORES. THE PEOPLE IN WEST ALTADENA ARE CONCERNED WITH  
22 THE SAFETY AND RESPONSIBILITY WITH WHICH ALCOHOL IS SOLD,  
23 WHICH IS SOMETHING WE DON'T SEE WHEN ALCOHOL IS SOLD IN  
24 GROCERY STORES. WALMART HAS THE ABILITY TO REGULATE ALCOHOL  
25 SALES MUCH BETTER INCLUDING HAVING ADEQUATE SECURITY INSIDE

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1 AND OUTSIDE THE STORE, SYSTEMS IN PLACE TO PREVENT UNDERAGE  
2 DRINKING AND PREVENT CRIME. WALMART HAS COMMITTED TO NUMEROUS  
3 MEASURES TO ENSURE THE SAFE SALE OF ALCOHOL. IN ADDITION,  
4 ALCOHOL IS DISPLAYED AWAY FROM THE ENTRANCE TO DISCOURAGE  
5 GRABBING AND RUNNING OUT OF THE NEAREST DOOR, SECURITY CAMERAS  
6 ARE POSITIONED AT STRATEGIC LOCATIONS IN THE STORE. THE  
7 PARKING LOT IS WELL LIT. WALMART EMPLOYEES HAVE STATE-OF-THE-  
8 ART TECHNOLOGY AND TRAINING, WHICH INCLUDES COMPLIANCE WITH  
9 THE COMPUTER-BASED TRAINING PROGRAM AND A SCORE OF 100  
10 PERCENT. MOVING ALCOHOL SALES INTO GROCERY STORES IS NOT JUST  
11 SOMETHING THAT I AND THE TOWN COUNCIL SUPPORT, IT HAS BEEN A  
12 PRIORITY AMONG ALTADENA RESIDENTS FOR DECADES. SO I  
13 RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT THE WALMART ALCOHOL C.U.P. MOVE FORWARD  
14 AND THAT YOU DENY THIS PETITION. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THANK THE  
17 TOWN COUNCIL, TOO.

18

19 **TECUMSEH SHACKELFORD:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, AND THE REST OF  
20 THE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TECUMSEH SHACKELFORD I'M THE VICE  
21 PRESIDENT OF THE WINDSOR- ARROYO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. THE  
22 WINDSOR-ARROYO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION WANT TO SUPPORT  
23 WALMART'S APPLICATION FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO SELL  
24 ALCOHOL BEVERAGE AT THEIR STORE ON 2408 LINCOLN AVENUE,  
25 ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA, 91001. THEY HAVE BEEN AN EXCELLENT

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1 NEIGHBOR AND DEMONSTRATED THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY BY  
2 EMPLOYING AND TRAINING LOCAL LABOR, ELIMINATING BLIGHT AND  
3 IMPROVING THE SURROUNDING AREA. DONATING FUNDS TO LOCAL  
4 CHARITIES, DONATING FOOD TO FAMILIES IN NEED. THEY HAVE  
5 COMPLIED WITH THE COMMUNITY WISH TO OPERATE A SMALL-SCALE  
6 NEIGHBORHOOD STORE AND BELIEVE THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO BE A  
7 RESPONSIBLE NEIGHBOR. WE REQUEST THE APPROVAL FOR THE  
8 APPLICATION OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO SELL ALCOHOL.  
9 TECUMSEH SCHACKLEFORD, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE WINDSOR-ARROYO  
10 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP  
13 SEBASTIAN DIAZ? JEFFREY MARTINEZ? WE NEED TRANSLATORS FOR  
14 THOSE TWO. AND FOR PETER AN. YES, SIR. YES, SIR.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** OH. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT  
17 HAVING WALMART ZONED TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WILL  
18 ELIMINATE BEGGARS, PANHANDLERS AND LITTLE GANG BANGERS WHO  
19 STAND AT THE DOOR ASKING FOR MONEY DOING THEIR OTHER LITTLE  
20 BUSINESS. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE WALMART TO HAVE THAT C.U.P.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

25



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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

2

3    **PETER AN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF  
4    SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS PETER AN, AND I'M REPRESENTING ALL-  
5    STAR LIQUOR. I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST FOLLOW UP TO WHAT THE  
6    WALMART REPRESENTATIVE SAID A FEW MINUTES AGO. I WOULD LIKE TO  
7    STATE FOR THE RECORD THAT WE ARE NOT HERE TODAY ON COMPETITION  
8    CAUSES. WE'RE NOT HERE BECAUSE WALMART POSES COMPETITION TO  
9    LIQUOR STORES. WE ARE HERE FOR SOMETHING ELSE. THE QUESTION  
10   THAT I WANT TO PROPOSE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS: AT WHAT  
11   POINT DOES A COMPANY STOP BEING A VALUABLE ADDITION TO THE  
12   COMMUNITY AND INSTEAD BECOME A DETRIMENTAL BURDEN TO THE WELL-  
13   BEING OF ITS CUSTOMERS? IF YOU LOOK INSIDE THE REPORTS THAT WE  
14   HAVE PREPARED FOR THE BOARD, YOU WILL FIND THAT WE HAVE SIGNED  
15   PETITION LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS WHO LIVE RIGHT ACROSS THE  
16   STREET FROM WALMART. THESE RESIDENTS ACROSS THE STREET  
17   PRIMARILY CONSIST OF FAMILIES. THE SIGNED LETTERS ARE MOSTLY  
18   FROM THE PARENTS OF THESE FAMILIES. AND IF YOU READ THE  
19   LETTERS, YOU'LL FIND THAT THEIR MAIN CONCERNS ARE REGARDING  
20   THEIR CHILDREN. AND SO WE'RE HERE TODAY TO FIGHT FOR THE WELL-  
21   BEING OF THE CHILDREN. I'D LIKE TO TALK ABOUT WALMART FOR A  
22   SECOND. I'D LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THE POWERFUL GLOBAL INFLUENCE  
23   AND THEIR INFLUENCE WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. WALMART'S BRAND  
24   POWER IS EXTREMELY POWERFUL. THEIR MOTTO IS "SAVE MONEY AND  
25   LIVE BETTER". ADDITIONALLY, THEIR LOGO, THE YELLOW HAPPY FACE

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1 THAT'S USED IN MANY TV COMMERCIAL AS IN-STORE ADVERTISING  
2 PROMOTIONS. SO BASICALLY WALMART PROMOTES BETTER LIVING AND  
3 HAPPINESS, AND THESE THEMES DEFINE THE WALMART BRAND WHICH IN  
4 TURN INFLUENCES CUSTOMERS. SO THE QUESTION THAT I WANT TO ASK  
5 IS: FOR THE CHILDREN WHO LIVE ACROSS THE STREET, WHAT EXACTLY  
6 IS THE MESSAGE THAT THEY'RE RECEIVING WHEN WALMART PROMOTES  
7 BETTER LIVING AND HAPPINESS BUT ALSO PROMOTES ALCOHOL AND  
8 LIQUOR ON THE SIDE? HOW ARE THE CHILDREN GOING TO INTERPRET  
9 THIS CONFLICTING MESSAGE? THESE CHILDREN WILL BASICALLY GROW  
10 UP WITH WALMART. IS IT POSSIBLE THAT CHILDREN WILL PERCEIVE  
11 ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AS NORMAL BEHAVIOR OR, EVEN WORSE, BETTER  
12 LIVING? C.V.S., THEY MADE A NATIONWIDE EFFORT TO DISCONTINUE  
13 CIGARETTE SALES BECAUSE THEY FELT IT WAS MORALLY IRRESPONSIBLE  
14 TO SELL CANCER-CAUSING PRODUCTS ALONGSIDE THEIR HEALTH  
15 PRODUCTS. AT WHAT POINT SHOULD THE CORPORATION TAKE A STEP  
16 BACK AND ASSESS THE MORAL HAZARD THAT'S ABOUT TO TAKE PLACE?  
17 SOCIOECONOMICALLY SPEAKING ALTADENA IS NOT AS PRIVILEGED A  
18 CITY AS MANY OTHERS. MINORITIES REPRESENT A HEAVY  
19 CONCENTRATION OF THE ALTADENA POPULATION. THESE ARE AMONGST  
20 THE HARDEST WORKING CITIZENS IN AMERICA AND THEY DO EVERYTHING  
21 IN THEIR POWER FOR THEIR FAMILIES. AND SO, MR. MAYOR AND THE  
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALTADENA IS NOT A CITY THAT NEEDS MORE  
23 ALCOHOL DISTRIBUTION ON A CORPORATE SCALE. ALCOHOL  
24 DISTRIBUTION MUST BE KEPT SEPARATE FROM RETAIL MARKETS THAT  
25 CATER TO FAMILIES AND CHILDREN AND INSTEAD BE CONTROLLED BY

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1 ALCOHOL INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS WHO HAVE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

2 AND RESPONSIBLY DISTRIBUTING LIQUOR, BEER AND WINE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. AN. INTERPRETER?

5

6 **SEBASTIAN DIAZ:** [SPEAKING THROUGH INTERPRETER] MY NAME IS

7 SEBASTIAN DIAZ. I AM HERE BECAUSE THE WALMART STORES WANT TO

8 SELL LIQUOR. I HAVE GRANDCHILDREN THAT ARE SMALL. AND THERE'S

9 A LOT OF LOITERING AROUND. THAT IF THEY START SELLING LIQUOR

10 AT THIS STORE, THERE WILL BE MORE VIOLENCE AROUND THERE. MY

11 HOUSE IS AROUND 40 METERS FROM THE PARKING LOT OF THE STORE.

12 AND THE SMALL KIDS SEE THE ADULTS WITH THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

13 WALKING AROUND. THERE IS A BIG APARTMENT COMPLEX WITH A LOT OF

14 KIDS. AND IT'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE STORE. THAT'S WHY I DON'T

15 THINK IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR WALMART TO SELL ALCOHOLIC

16 BEVERAGES. IF YOU COULD PLEASE SUBTRACT THE ALCOHOL PERMIT IT

17 WOULD BE GOOD FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD. IF THE PERMIT IS GRANTED,

18 THERE WILL BE A LOT OF LOITERING AROUND AND THEN FIGHTS CAN

19 BREAK OUT. THEN DUE TO THE FIGHTS, THE KIDS WOULD BE SCARED.

20 SO IF YOU GUYS COULD PLEASE STOP THE PERMIT GOING THROUGH.

21 THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

24

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1   **JEFFREY MARTIZEX:** [SPEAKING THROUGH INTERPRETER] HI, MY NAME  
2   IS JEFFREY MARTINEZ. I AM HERE FOR MY FAMILY. BECAUSE MY  
3   NEPHEWS ARE COMING TO BE OF AGE. AND I WOULD NOT LIKE THEM TO  
4   GO INTO A STORE AND SEE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT WALMART.  
5   NOT JUST FOR THEM, BUT FOR OTHER CHILDREN THAT LIVE AROUND AND  
6   THERE'S ABOUT 50 APARTMENT UNITS THERE. I HAVE LIVED THERE FOR  
7   FIVE YEARS AND THE COMMUNITY IS VERY CALM. AND I AM AFRAID  
8   THAT WITH THEM BEING ABLE TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, IT WILL  
9   INCREASE THE VIOLENCE AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD. GOING TO THE  
10   STORE AND SEEING THE ADULTS BUYING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND  
11   THAT WOULD NOT BE A GOOD EXAMPLE FOR THE KIDS. I WOULD LIKE  
12   WALMART NOT TO GET THE PERMIT AND JUST BE ABLE TO SELL  
13   GROCERIES. I THINK WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PERMIT, THERE WILL  
14   BE MORE VIOLENCE. I IF YOU OBJECT TO THE PERMIT, WOULD BE GOOD  
15   HELP. THANK YOU.

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ARNOLD  
18   SACHS AND ERIC PREVEN.

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20   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. I REALLY WASN'T  
21   GOING TO SPEAK ON THIS UNTIL SOME THINGS WERE DISCUSSED IN  
22   PART OF THIS HEARING. THE ATTORNEY FOR WALMART MENTIONED  
23   THEY'RE GOOD FOR THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. I WAS JUST  
24   WONDERING WHAT THE BOUNDARIES THAT THEY WOULD CONSIDER AS PART  
25   OF THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY, WOULD THAT BE THE PARKING LOT

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1 BOUNDARIES, ACROSS THE STREET BOUNDARIES, PART THAT THE PEOPLE  
2 WHO JUST CAME UP THAT LIVE ACROSS THE START PART OF THE  
3 BOUNDARIES. AND SHE ALSO MENTIONED IT WAS APPROVED BUT BECAUSE  
4 OF A CONVENIENCE OR NECESSITY THE CONDITION MEETING THE NEED  
5 OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY. IF YOU HAVE A LIQUOR STORE  
6 ACROSS THE STREET THAT IS SELLING ALCOHOL IT IS MY  
7 UNDERSTANDING FROM A CITY COUNCIL MEETING AN ATTORNEY GOT UP  
8 AND DEFINED CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AS "PROVIDING A SERVICE  
9 THAT ISN'T THERE PREVIOUSLY TO THE AREA." YOU HAVE A LIQUOR  
10 STORE ACROSS THE STREET THAT IS EVIDENTLY SELLING ALCOHOL. TO  
11 PLAY BOTH SIDES OF THIS, I'M NOT A REAL BIG FAN OF SOMEBODY  
12 COMING UP AND SAYING IT'S THE STANDARDS OF WALMART TO MEET TO  
13 SELL ALCOHOL WHEN YOU'RE A LIQUOR STORE SELLING ALCOHOL, YOU  
14 SHOULDN'T BE THROWING STONES WHEN YOU LIVE IN A GLASS HOUSE  
15 TYPE OF THING. IF I WOULD LOOK AT THE MEDIAN INCOME OF THE  
16 PEOPLE THAT SHOP THERE. I WOULD LOOK AT THE PERCENTAGE, YOU  
17 JUST DID A PRESENTATION ON CALFRESH, PERCENTAGE OF PEOPLE ON  
18 CALFRESH, IF THERE'S A LARGE PERCENTAGE, THE SHERIFF'S CALL  
19 FOR SERVICE TO THE LIQUOR STORE, I'M SURE THERE'S NOT A LOT OF  
20 CALL TO SERVICE FOR WAL-MARTS FOR INEBRIATED PEOPLE BUT THERE  
21 A LOT OF CALLS WHEN PEOPLE TALK ABOUT PANHANDLERS, WELL IF  
22 THERE'S PAN HANDLING, THEY'RE NOT PAN HANDLING TO GET INTO  
23 WALMART TO BUY GROCERIES, PROBABLY. THEY'RE PROBABLY PAN  
24 HANDLING TO GET LIQUOR FROM THE LIQUOR STORE. SO WILL THEY SAY  
25 WELL WE DON'T HAVE TO GO ACROSS THE STREET. WE COULD PANHANDLE

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1 IN WALMART AND IT'S ALL SELF-SERVICE. DO THEY GET A LOT OF  
2 CALLS FOR PAN HANDLING? AND THOSE KIND OF SITUATIONS. THAT  
3 WOULD PLAY INTO WHETHER TO BE AGREED UPON OR ACCEPTED FOR THEM  
4 TO BE ABLE TO SELL THE LIQUOR. AND AGAIN I GO BACK TO THE  
5 CONDITION OF NECESSITY. IF YOU HAVE A LIQUOR STORE ACROSS THE  
6 STREET, THEN THE CONDITION OF NECESSITY HAS ALREADY BEEN MET.  
7 SO THAT KIND OF ARGUMENT DOESN'T REALLY PASS MUSTER. I MEAN,  
8 AGAIN, MAYBE IT'S DIFFERENT IN THE CITY OF L.A. THAN IT IS IN  
9 THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF PARTS OF THE COUNTY. AND MAYBE YOU  
10 COULD CLARIFY THAT. I SEE MR. SALDINO IS IN HERE. SO THERE'S  
11 NO TELLING WHEN WE'LL GET THAT ANSWERED. BUT JUST OUT OF  
12 CURIOSITY, THOSE ARE THINGS THAT I WOULD SAY SHOULD BE PART OF  
13 THE DISCUSSION AS TO THE REQUIREMENTS AND ACCEPTANCE OF THIS  
14 C.U.P.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN? HE'S NOT HERE. OKAY. THE  
17 WALMART NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET IS REQUESTING THE C.U.P. FOR THE  
18 SALE OF ALCOHOL IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA.  
19 THIS WILL ALLOW THE SALE OF ALCOHOL FROM 8 A.M. TO 10 P.M. 7  
20 DAYS A WEEK WITH ALCOHOL SALES PROHIBITED BETWEEN 10 P.M. AND  
21 8 A.M. WALMART IMPLEMENTS A RESPONSIBLE VENDOR OF ALCOHOL  
22 POLICY THAT INCLUDES RESTRICTED HOURS OF SALE, TRAINING,  
23 MONITORING AND TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEES WHO VIOLATE ALCOHOL  
24 POLICIES. WALMART PARKING LOT IS CONTINUALLY MONITORED BY  
25 EMPLOYEES AND SECURITY PERSONNEL, THAT WOULD PROHIBIT

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1 LOITERING AND MAINTAINS A STRICT POLICY CONCERNING CONSUMPTION  
2 OF ALCOHOL ON THE PREMISES. ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL REVIEWED THE  
3 C.U.P. REQUEST AND RECOMMENDED APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS AND  
4 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS ALSO RECOMMENDING APPROVAL. ONE OF  
5 THE NEIGHBORING LIQUOR STORES HAS HAD SEVERE PROBLEMS. ONE OF  
6 THE SERIOUS PROBLEMS THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS  
7 CONTINUING TO HAVE TO MONITOR AND BEING CALLED TOWARD. AND  
8 THIS IS GOING TO HOPEFULLY RESOLVE THAT ISSUE. SO I'D MOVE  
9 THAT THE BOARD FIND THE PROJECT AS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT  
10 PURSUANT TO STATE, LOCAL, CEQA GUIDELINES, DENY THE APPEAL  
11 DIRECTING COUNSEL TO PREPARE FINDINGS TO AFFIRM THE REGIONAL  
12 PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL. WE ALREADY CALLED YOU, WE READ  
13 THE MOTION.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** GIVE ME ABOUT TEN SECONDS?

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 10 SECONDS?

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19 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FROM  
20 ABSTAINING FROM THIS VOTE AND I'D LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD OF  
21 SUPERVISORS TO THINK LONG AND HARD ABOUT OTHER LARGE NATIONAL  
22 FIRMS GIVEN ALL THE SMALL BUSINESS INITIATIVES THAT WE'RE  
23 FOCUSED ON DOWN HERE AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON A REGULAR  
24 BASIS. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT  
2    OBJECTION, A UNANIMOUS VOTE. THANK YOU. LET ME, WE'RE GOING TO  
3    CALL UP ON ITEM 12, IT'S GOING TO BE AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR  
4    SOLIS AND MYSELF. THAT WE ALSO DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO REPORT  
5    BACK IN ONE WEEK WITH A BUDGET FEASIBILITY LOCATION FOR A  
6    PLAQUE COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN  
7    GENOCIDE. THAT WILL BE PART OF THAT. SO LET ME CALL UP ROBERT  
8    LUCAS, 17, 26, 30, 33. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, 29. MELLO DESIRE,  
9    1-P, 2-P, 12, 26. MR. PREVEN, 2-P, 29, 39, 41, CS-2. AND  
10    ARNOLD SACHS WILL BE 1-P, 2-P, 12, 33, 37, 41 CS-3. MR. LUCAS?

11

12    **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. I HOPE EVERYBODY  
13    ENJOYED THEIR WEEKEND, I KNOW I DID. SOMEBODY TOLD ME TO GO  
14    FLY A KITE OVER THE LAST TWO WEEKS AND I DID EXACTLY THAT.

15

16    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND YOU GOT A HAIRCUT.

17

18    **ROBERT LUCAS:** YES, I DID. IT WAS BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT  
19    I LOOKED A LITTLE UNRULY AND I MIGHT WANT TO CLEAN UP SO I'M  
20    OPEN TO SOME SUGGESTIONS. BUT THE FACT IS THAT SOME OF THE  
21    THINGS ON THE AGENDA HERE, I DON'T HAVE THIS KIND OF RECALL TO  
22    REMEMBER SOME OF THE THOUGHTS THAT GO ON THIS BUT LET ME  
23    BRIEFLY MAKE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS. THIS FILIPINO INDEPENDENCE  
24    DAY, I CAN ONLY TELL YOU MY INTERACTION AND EXPERIENCE WITH  
25    SOME OF THE FILIPINO CULTURE HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND THE

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1 COUNTY. THEY'VE BEEN SOME OF THE MOST NURTURING INDIVIDUALS  
2 I'VE EVER ENCOUNTERED, ESPECIALLY SINCE AT THE TIME OF MY  
3 INTERACTION, I WAS NOT FEELING SO WELL AND QUITE INJURED, IN  
4 FACT. PLUS, I HAD SOME RELATIVES THAT SERVED IN THE  
5 PHILIPPINES. SO THERE'S A CONNECTION HERE. NOTHING PERSONAL.  
6 BUT THIS IS SOMETHING ANY INDEPENDENCE DAY WHEN PEOPLE STAND  
7 UP AND FIGHT FOR WHAT'S RIGHT, THAT'S A GOOD THING. SOME OF  
8 THE OTHER ISSUES THAT WE GOT TO SEE THIS MORNING ON THE  
9 AUTISM, I HAVE A YOUNGER UNCLE THAT WITH DOWNS SYNDROME AND  
10 SLIGHTLY AUTISTIC. AND I CAN TELL YOU THIS FROM MY OWN  
11 PERSONAL EXPERIENCE. YOU SPEND A LITTLE BIT OF TIME  
12 VOLUNTEERING WITH SOME OF THESE SPECIAL INDIVIDUALS, YOUR LIFE  
13 WILL CHANGE. THE THINGS THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS DEAL WITH AND  
14 THE PATIENCE THAT THEY HAVE, IT'S THE TRUE DEFINITION OF  
15 UNCONDITIONAL LOVE. I NEVER UNDERSTOOD THAT UNTIL  
16 UNCONDITIONAL LOVE WAS BROUGHT INTO MY LIFE. AND THERE WERE SO  
17 MANY PEOPLE LOOKING AT THE DEFECTS THAT THEY MISSED THE GIFTS.  
18 AND I URGE EVERYBODY TO REACH OUT TO THESE INDIVIDUALS BECAUSE  
19 THESE ARE THE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO US. THESE ARE  
20 THE ONES THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE BECAUSE THEY DON'T ASK FOR  
21 ANYTHING OUTSIDE OF A HUG AND A LITTLE BIT OF LOVE. IT'S  
22 REALLY SIMPLE.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. GENEVIEVE?

25

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
2 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 29, I'M CONCERNED THAT WE ARE  
3 SPENDING \$2 MILLION FOR OUR NEW ASSESSOR, ASKING THAT A PRETTY  
4 HEFTY BILL. SO I'M GLAD WE DO NOT HAVE THE SAME BILL FOR  
5 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SOLIS BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, SPENDING A LOT  
6 OF OUR MONEY. I THINK \$2 MILLION SEEM A LITTLE HEFTY. AND I  
7 WOULD LIKE SOMEBODY TO REVIEW THAT TO SEE WHY WE ARE SPENDING  
8 SO MUCH MONEY FOR SECURITY FOR THE OFFICE ESPECIALLY DEMANDING  
9 THAT EACH OF THE OFFICES --

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S WHERE' THEY'RE UPGRADING THE  
12 COMPUTERS.

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT SECURITY AND  
15 SO ON, NOT SPECIALTY. NO, WE HAVE, EVERY TIME WE TURN AROUND  
16 WE ORDER NEW COMPUTER AND NEW SOFTWARE WHO DON'T SPEAK TO EACH  
17 OTHER, AND THAT'S ANOTHER ONE. I'M JUST POINTING OUT THAT'S  
18 QUITE PRICEY, THAT'S ALL.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. AGAIN ARNOLD SACHS. AND AGAIN I  
23 DID HOLD 1-P AND 2-P, AND AGAIN IT REFERS TO TWO THINGS. IT  
24 ONLY MENTIONS -- THIS IS SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA FROM AUGUST 5,  
25 2014 REGARDING CONTINUING THE FUNDING FOR THE SAFE

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1 NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, YOUTH, SENIOR, RECREATION, BEACHES,  
2 WILDLIFE PROTECTION MEASURE. AND ALL WE SEEM TO GET IN THESE  
3 AGENDAS IS REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE. THIS IS A MOTION FROM  
4 AUGUST 5TH BY SUPERVISORS YAROSLAVSKY AND KNABE. THROUGH ITS  
5 KEEN STEWARDSHIP OF PROGRAM, THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE  
6 DISTRICT THAT WAS CREATED TO ADMINISTER PROP A HAS GENERATED  
7 OVER \$330 MILLION WORTH OF EXCESS FUNDS. THE ASSESSMENT OF  
8 PROPOSITION A IN 1992 WILL EXPIRE AFTER FISCAL YEAR 2014/'15.  
9 THIS WILL CAUSE THE IMMEDIATE LOSS OF \$53 MILLION IN PARKS  
10 FUNDING. BUT IT DOESN'T MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT YOUTH SENIOR  
11 RECREATION, BEACHES AND WILDLIFE PROTECTION AND/OR GANG  
12 INTERVENTION. PORQUE? JUST WANT TO KNOW. YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE  
13 THIS ON YOUR AGENDA ALL THE TIME. I DID HOLD ITEM 33. IT  
14 REFERS TO THE CALIFORNIA HEALTHCARE ELIGIBILITY AND ENROLLMENT  
15 AND RETENTION SYSTEM. A LEADER SYSTEM. ALL THIS INFORMATION  
16 BECAUSE ITEM 41 -- AND THEY KIND OF LIKE INTERACT -- ITEM 41  
17 REFERS TO A ONE-TIME WAIVER FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO WERE  
18 ILLEGALLY SIGNED UP FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO THE COUNTY. BUT  
19 YOU HAVE THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH CARE ELIGIBILITY ENROLLMENT AND  
20 RETENTION PROGRAM, YOU'RE GOING TO BE SPENDING HUNDREDS OF  
21 MILLIONS, A HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS? I DON'T REMEMBER WHAT  
22 EXACTLY IS THE NUMBER IN THE AGENDA. 180 MILLION? SOMETHING.  
23 IT'S ITEM 37, 33, RIGHT? IT'S \$179 MILLION FOR THE CALIFORNIA  
24 HEALTHCARE ELIGIBILITY ENROLLMENT AND RETENTION SYSTEM. AND  
25 YOU CAN'T GET IT RIGHT FOR THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES. DOES THIS

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1 INCLUDE A WAIVER FOR THE PUBLIC? OR IS THIS A COUNTY PROGRAM?  
2 DOES THE PUBLIC GET A WAIVER IF THEY SIGN UP SOMEBODY  
3 ILLEGALLY UNDER THIS PROGRAM LIKE YOU'RE GIVING THE COUNTY  
4 EMPLOYEES WHO ARE SIGNED UP ILLEGALLY UNDER THE COUNTY'S  
5 PROGRAM? I HELD ITEM 37. YOU WANT A REGIONAL STRUCTURE FOR LAW  
6 ENFORCEMENT TO DO SOMETHING IN CASE THERE'S A POTENTIAL  
7 TERRORIST ATTACK. ISN'T THAT WHAT THE L..A.-RICS PROGRAM WAS?  
8 ITEM S-1 WHICH WAS CONTINUED, YOU HAVE A STRUCTURE FOR THE  
9 JAIL. AND THIS IS 240,000 THE GRANT IS FROM 1/'13 TO 7/'15.  
10 THE GRANT IS ALMOST EXPIRED. IS THE PROGRAM IN PLACE? YOU  
11 ALREADY GOT THE MONEY. IT'S GOING TO EXPIRE IN ANOTHER TWO  
12 MONTHS, A MONTH. DO WE HAVE A BLUEPRINT FOR THIS PLAN? HAS IT  
13 BEEN PRESENTED TO THE BOARD? IS THAT AVAILABLE FOR THE COUNTY  
14 PUBLIC TO LOOK AT?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'M OUT OF TIME. THANK YOU.

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
21 DISTRICT 3. IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT IN FACT IT IS NATIONAL  
22 SMALL BUSINESS WEEK, THANKS TO SUPERVISOR KNABE. AND TO THE  
23 WALMART ITEM. AND OF COURSE GOING BACK TO THE AMERICAN GOLF  
24 ITEM, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO READ A FEW QUOTES FOR THE  
25 SUPERVISORS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN AWARE OF THE WAY AMERICAN GOLF

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1 DOES BUSINESS, THAT THE CURRENT OWNER POINTS OUT THAT THERE'S  
2 BEEN A SUBSTANTIAL RECOVERY. THIS IS IN THE NOVEMBER 2014  
3 DOCUMENT IN THE GOLF INDUSTRY. BELOW WHERE THE PEAK WAS BUT  
4 UNSUBSTANTIALLY. THEY POINT OUT THAT THE CHAIN THAT THEY OWN,  
5 INCLUDING THE CONTRACTS FOR THE COUNTY GOLF COURSES, ARE IN  
6 THE RIGHT PLACE WHERE THE SUN SHINES. AND OF COURSE THEY HAVE  
7 SEEN A 4 PERCENT INCREASE IN A PERIOD OF TIME OF THE RECENT  
8 PAST WHEREAS WE ARE GOING TO BE POSTING SOME REVENUE DIPS. AND  
9 THEREFORE ARE ENGAGING IN A DECISION WHICH I THINK IS REALLY A  
10 MISTAKE. AND I'M GOING TO QUOTE HERE FROM THE LAST PAGE OF  
11 ITEM 2 THAT WE HEARD A HEARING ON EARLIER WHERE BASICALLY THE  
12 DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND REC, UNDER THE CATEGORY OF SPECIAL  
13 PROMOTIONS, IS ABLE TO REDUCE BEHALF THE NUMBER OF GREEN FEES  
14 PER HIM AND THE OPERATOR. THAT MEANS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
15 HAS NOTHING TO SAY ABOUT THAT. THAT MEANS OF THE MILLIONS OF  
16 DOLLARS THAT COME THROUGH THE COUNTY GOLF SYSTEM WHICH I LIKE  
17 TO REFER TO AS LICENSE TO OPERATE A CASH REGISTER BECAUSE  
18 THERE'S AN ENDLESS SUPPLY OF COUNTY GOLF. EVEN WHEN IT'S DOWN  
19 A LITTLE BIT THESE COURSES, ALL THE AMERICAN GOLF COURSES ARE  
20 VERY PROFITABLE COURSES. SO BY PROVIDING INCENTIVES FOR THESE  
21 OPERATORS TO MIGRATE MONEY INTO THE SIDE OF THE CASH REGISTER  
22 AS I MENTIONED EARLIER WHERE THEY DON'T PAY THE COUNTY AS  
23 MUCH, WE ARE SETTING OURSELVES UP FOR A TERRIBLE FAILURE. NOW  
24 MR. KNABE WILL BE GONE WHEN THIS ALL LANDS BECAUSE PAUL MAJOR  
25 IS GONE AND THE GUYS RUNNING IT ARE GONE. YET HIS SON, MATT

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1 KNABE DOES TAKE 49,000 DOLLARS A QUARTER FROM AMERICAN GOLF  
2 CORPORATION TO LOBBY LA. COUNTY AND L.A. CITY. IMPORTANT TO  
3 UNDERSTAND IT IS NOT 45 FOR JUST THE COUNTY IT'S 22.5 HERE  
4 WHERE WE HAVE 9 COURSES AND 22.5 AT THE CITY WHERE THERE ARE  
5 NO COUNTY GOLF COURSES, NO GOLF COURSES MANAGED BY AMERICAN  
6 GOLF. I ASSUME THEY WANT TO GET SOME. I HAVE TO MOVE ON  
7 BECAUSE THERE ARE OTHER ITEMS. BUT THIS IS A TERRIBLE MISTAKE.  
8 I URGE YOU TO TAKE A LONG LOOK AT ITEM 2. 2-P IS DIFFERENT  
9 IT'S SIMPLY MOVING A MILLION DOLLARS OUT OF MR. SACHS  
10 EXPLAINED IT ADEQUATELY, INTO FIVE COURSES ALL OF WHICH ARE  
11 AMERICAN GOLF EXCEPT FOR ONE WHICH IS TO FORMER AMERICAN GOLF  
12 GUYS. ITEM 42 I HAVE TO SAY TO THE SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT  
13 POPULATION SOLUTIONS OF THE SHERIFF AND THE MENTAL HEALTH  
14 PIECE. I BEG YOU TO EXPLAIN WHAT YOU MEAN. WE ARE JUST ADDING  
15 JOBS. HOW ABOUT WHAT ARE THE NECESSARY REFORMS? JUST THROWING  
16 BODIES INTO IT IS NOT GOING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. IT'S GOING  
17 TO BE MORE FOLKS AND PERHAPS THAT WILL SOLVE SOME OF THE WATCH  
18 ISSUES, BUT WE REALLY DO DESERVE AN EXPLANATION. I THINK WE  
19 HAVE TO STOP CONTINUING THESE ITEMS AND TALK ABOUT IT. AND  
20 ITEM CS-2, I HAVE TO DESCRIBE IT AS KIND OF A LITTLE SECRET  
21 SANTA ITEM. THIS IS A LAWSUIT THAT NOBODY UNDERSTANDS ANYTHING  
22 ABOUT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

25



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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S NOT BEEN CODED ADEQUATELY FOR THE PUBLIC.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

4

5 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE  
6 BEFORE YOU AT THIS TIME. 1-P, 2-P, NO. 12 AS AMENDED, NO. 17,  
7 26, 29, 30, 33, 37 AND 41.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
10 LET ME CALL UP AN ITEM 28. LET ME CALL UP GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,  
11 ROBERT LUCAS AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS YOU'RE HOLDING THIS ITEM.

12

13 **ROBERT LUCAS:** [OFF MIC]

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. SUPERVISOR  
16 SOLIS.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I HAVE A FRIENDLY  
19 AMENDMENT TO THE ITEM. AND IT OCCURRED TO ME THAT WHILE WE'RE  
20 GOING THROUGH THIS -- AND I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE MOTION  
21 PRESENTED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL -- THAT I DIDN'T SEE A MENTION  
22 OF D.H.S. IN THE PROCESS. AND THEY DO PLAY A SUBSTANTIAL ROLE.  
23 SO I JUST WANTED TO POINT THAT OUT, THAT THEY DO HAVE A  
24 PATIENT FINANCIAL SERVICE WORKERS THAT ARE LOCATED AT ALL  
25 COUNTY HOSPITALS AND CLINICS. THEY DO PROCESS MEDI-CAL

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1 APPLICATIONS AND THEY'RE LIKELY IMPACTED BY THE SYSTEM AND  
2 ISSUES, AS WELL. AND ALSO FINANCIALLY IMPACTED BY THE  
3 ENROLLMENT FROM A REVENUE GENERATION STANDPOINT IF THERE ARE  
4 ISSUES WITH PROCESSING. SO I'D RECOMMEND APPROVING THE MOTION  
5 WITH THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE THE DIRECTOR OF D.H.S.  
6 IN A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER STATE DEPARTMENTS AND  
7 INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR OF D.H.S. TO WORK WITH THE DIRECTOR OF  
8 D.P.S.S. AND THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES TO SEEK A  
9 RESOLUTION WITH THE GOVERNOR'S ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATURE TO  
10 PURSUE THE THREE OBJECTIVES. SO I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THAT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. ALSO MR.  
13 SACHS? SUPERVISOR KNABE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, I'M NOT SURE IF THIS IS FOR SACHI OR TO  
16 THE DEPARTMENT HEAD, BUT IN THE GOVERNMENT'S BUDGET THERE IS  
17 250 MILLION AND AN ADDITIONAL 150. WHAT PORTION OF THAT WAS  
18 COMING TO D.P.S.S. IN L.A. COUNTY? DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA?

19

20 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** THE DIRECTOR, SHERYL SPILLER IS  
21 HERE AND PERHAPS COULD ANSWER.

22

23 **SHERLYL SPILLER:** SHERYL SPILLER. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
24 SOCIAL SERVICES.

25

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1    **SUP. KNABE:** THE AMOUNT OF MONEY WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, THE 250  
2    MILLION IN THE GOVERNMENT'S BUDGET AND AN EXTRA 150, WHAT  
3    PORTION OF THAT COMES TO D.P.S.S. AND THE COUNTY?

4

5    **SHERYL SPILLER:** THE ACTUAL AMOUNT IS ABOUT 300 MILLION WHICH  
6    WOULD BE STATEWIDE. AND THEN THERE IS L.A. COUNTY WILL GET  
7    ANYWHERE FROM 20 TO 30 PERCENT OF THAT, WHICH WOULD BE 60 TO  
8    \$90 MILLION.

9

10   **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. I KNOW IT'S BEEN A HEAVY LIFT. SO I  
11   APPRECIATE THE EFFORT. THAT'S ALL THE QUESTIONS I HAVE.

12

13    **SHERYL SPILLER:** THANK YOU.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GENEVIEVE? MR. SACHS?

16

17   **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
18   DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I REALLY LOOK AT THE INFORMATION. IF  
19   IT CLAIMS THAT CAL-HEARS HAVE NOT A LOT OF ISSUES BUT NOBODY  
20   IDENTIFIED WHAT THOSE ISSUES REALLY ARE. AND WHEN I LOOK AT  
21   IT, WHEN I LOOK AT THE DOCUMENT, NOTHING REALLY DESCRIBE WHAT  
22   THE ISSUES ARE. AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW. NOT ONLY FROM  
23   READING HERE BUT EVEN TO GOING ON THE WEB, DOING MORE  
24   RESEARCH, IT DOES NOT IDENTIFY THE ISSUES. SO IF WE CAN GET AN  
25   AMOUNT OF MONEY, I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THAT. BUT I WOULD LIKE

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1 TO KNOW WHAT THE ISSUES ARE. AND IT'S NOT MENTIONED IN ANY OF  
2 THE SUPPORT DOCUMENTS OR IN THE RESEARCH THAT I HAVE DONE. ANY  
3 OF YOU AT ALL? MR. SACHS?

4

5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.  
6 JEEPERS. THIS IS GOING TO SHOCK YOU, SUPERVISOR. GREAT MINDS  
7 THINK ALIKE. BECAUSE THAT WAS MY QUESTION IS HOW MUCH OF THE  
8 MONEY GOES TO THE COUNTY? SHE MENTIONED IT'S MORE LIKE \$300  
9 MILLION. WELL, WHAT YOU HAVE IN YOUR AGENDA ITEM IS \$240  
10 MILLION. THAT'S MORE LIKE \$300 MILLION.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S NOT WHAT SHE SAID. SHE SAID STATEWIDE.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** STATEWIDE. BUT I'M SAYING THE GOVERNOR'S  
15 PROPOSED CONTINUATION. YOU HAVE IN YOUR AGENDA IS \$240  
16 MILLION. SHE'S SAYING IT'S \$300 MILLION.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** HER REPORT SAYS STATEWIDE ALMOST 400 MILLION.

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SHE'S SAYING THAT THE COUNTY'S PORTION OF THIS  
21 FUNDING COULD BE ANYWHERE FROM 60 TO \$90 MILLION. WELL 240 TO  
22 300 MILLION DOLLARS, THAT'S \$60 MILLION. THAT'S A PRETTY BIG  
23 GAP RIGHT THERE. HOW DO YOU JUDGE IT? IT'S A QUESTION RIGHT  
24 THERE. I COULD KICK MYSELF, AND I'M SURE I'D GET SUPERVISORS  
25 TO DO THAT, TOO, BUT THERE WAS AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA ONCE THAT

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1 THE STATE CAUSED THE COUNTY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE FEES. THE  
2 COUNTY WAS GOING TO GET LIKE \$65,000 FOR SOMETHING AND THE  
3 STATE WAS CHARGING 20 PERCENT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES. AND CAME  
4 OUT TO BE LIKE \$13,000. SO THE QUESTION IS: DO YOU BUDGET FOR  
5 THE 65,000 OR DO YOU BUDGET FOR THE 52,000, WHICH IS LESS THE  
6 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES? AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT YOU HAVE GOING ON  
7 HERE, \$60,000. GUESS WHAT? THAT'S 20 PERCENT ADMINISTRATIVE  
8 FEES. IS THAT WHAT'S MISSING IN THE GAP HERE? AND THIS 150,  
9 SHE DIDN'T MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT THAT. IS THAT THE CORRECT  
10 FUNDING THERE? WE DON'T KNOW. CAN WE GET AN ANSWER TO THAT,  
11 TOO? NO.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. EXCUSE ME.  
14 DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON IT? OKAY. SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED  
15 BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. NO. 40 AND  
16 COULD WE HAVE DEAN LOGAN COME UP? EARLIER THIS MONTH, THE  
17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVED A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF SANTA  
18 CLARITA TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS WITH THE  
19 GENERAL ELECTIONS. AND BY DENYING THE COMMUNITY DISTRICT'S --  
20 COLLEGE DISTRICT'S REQUEST TO MOVE THE ELECTION TO THE SAME  
21 BALLOT, THIS WOULD THEN SPLIT THE CYCLE. WHAT IMPACT DO YOU  
22 THINK THAT WOULD HAVE ON THE ELECTORATE IN THE CITY?

23

24 **DEAN LOGAN:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, DEAN LOGAN  
25 REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK. I THINK THE QUESTION IS A

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1 LITTLE BIT TOO EARLY TO KNOW WHAT THE IMPACT OF THAT WOULD BE.  
2 THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT HAS ALREADY TAKEN ACTION TO  
3 MOVE THEIR ELECTION DATE TO THE EVEN YEAR. IF THE REQUEST TO  
4 CONSOLIDATE AND TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION USING CUMULATIVE  
5 VOTING, WHICH IS ON THE AGENDA TODAY, IS DENIED BASED ON OUR  
6 RECOMMENDATION, THEN IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN HOW THINGS WILL  
7 PROCEED. IT'S LIKELY THAT THE DISTRICT WILL PROCEED TO TRY AND  
8 CONDUCT THE ELECTION ON THEIR OWN DURING THE EVEN-YEAR  
9 ELECTION CYCLE, WHICH COULD SET UP A CONCURRENT ELECTION,  
10 WHICH HAS SOME COMPLICATIONS ON ITS OWN. SO WE WOULD LIKE TO,  
11 AFTER THE ACTION'S TAKEN TODAY, WE'D LIKE TO CONTINUE TO WORK  
12 WITH THE DISTRICT TO TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT WHATEVER ACTION IS  
13 TAKEN SO THAT THEY REMAIN IN COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR SETTLEMENT  
14 AGREEMENT UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT LAWSUIT DOESN'T CREATE  
15 NEW ISSUES THAT WOULD BE COMPLICATED FOR VOTERS ON ELECTION  
16 DAY.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE EXACT PROCESS OF  
19 CUMULATIVE VOTING?

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21 **DEAN LOGAN:** I CAN ATTEMPT TO DO THAT. ONE OF THE DIFFICULT  
22 WHIZ THE CONCEPT OF CUMULATIVE VOTING IS THERE IS NO LEGAL  
23 FRAMEWORK ON CALIFORNIA FOR IT. TYPICALLY WHEN THERE'S AN  
24 ALTERNATIVE FORM OF VOTING, THAT'S GOVERNED BY SOME FORMER  
25 REGULATION. FOR INSTANCE IN SAN FRANCISCO WHERE THEY DO

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1 INSTANT RUNOFF VOTING, THERE'S A LOCAL ORDINANCE AND THEN  
2 SECRETARY OF STATE HAS APPROVED GUIDELINES TO FOLLOW IN  
3 CONDUCTING THAT ELECTION. THE CONCEPT OF CUMULATIVE VOTING AS  
4 I UNDERSTAND IT COMES FROM A MODEL FROM CORPORATE SHAREHOLDER  
5 ELECTIONS WHERE VOTERS ARE FOR THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE BEING  
6 ELECTED VOTERS ARE GIVEN THE SAME NUMBER OF VOTES AND THEY CAN  
7 APPLY THE VOTES HOWEVER THEY WANT. IF IT'S THE VOTE FOR THREE  
8 ITEMS, THEY COULD APPLY ALL THREE OF THEIR VOTES TO ONE  
9 CANDIDATE OR THEY COULD DISTRIBUTE THOSE VOTES 1 PER  
10 CANDIDATE. AND THEN THE TOP VOTE GETTER PROCEEDS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HOW HAS THAT IMPROVE THE ELECTION  
13 PROCESS?

14

15 **DEAN LOGAN:** I DON'T KNOW THAT FROM MY PERSPECTIVE THAT IT DOES  
16 IMPROVE THE ELECTIONS PROCESS. MY CONCERN FOR THE ELECTIONS  
17 PROCESS IS IT PRESENTS A POTENTIALLY CONFUSING BALLOT TO THE  
18 VOTER WHO'S SEEING DIFFERENT CONTESTS WITH DIFFERENT METHODS  
19 OF VOTING. I THINK THE INTENTION IN THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT  
20 IS TO PROVIDE FOR THE GREATER POSSIBILITY OF MINORITY  
21 REPRESENTATION ON THE GOVERNING BOARD. I THINK THAT'S THE  
22 ELEMENT OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT THAT HAS LED TO THAT  
23 ALTERNATIVE APPROACH BUT I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF  
24 THE DISTRICT FOR THAT. THAT'S JUST MY UNDERSTANDING OF IT.

25



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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WOULD YOU CONDUCT AN ELECTION IN 2015  
2    WITHOUT PARTICIPATION BY THE COMMUNITY DISTRICT, COLLEGE  
3    DISTRICT IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT THE JUDGE ORDERED THE  
4    DISTRICT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTION?

5

6    **DEAN LOGAN:** NO, SUPERVISOR, WE WOULD NOT. OUR OFFICE IS  
7    AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT ELECTIONS BASED ON A FORMAL NOTICE THAT  
8    WE RECEIVE FROM THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS IN JULY  
9    THAT LISTS THE DISTRICTS, THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND COMMUNITY  
10   COLLEGE DISTRICTS THAT WILL APPEAR ON THIS FALL'S BALLOT. SO  
11   AS LONG AS THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT IS NOT LISTED ON  
12   THAT FORMAL NOTICE, THEN WE WOULD NOT PROCEED TO CONDUCT AN  
13   ELECTION THIS FALL.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET ME CALL UP STEVE ZIMMER,  
16   ERIC PREVEN, HERMAN HERMAN AND KEVIN SCHENKMAN? GOOD  
17   AFTERNOON.

18

19   **STEVE ZIMMER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF  
20   THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M STEVE ZIMMER. I'M AN ELECTED  
21   BOARD MEMBER OF THE SANTA CLARITA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT,  
22   AND WE ARE THE ONES WHO HAVE MADE THE PROPOSAL HERE TODAY THAT  
23   THE REGISTRAR HAS JUST COMMENTED ON. ALL OF US KNOW THAT WE  
24   WANT MORE VOTER PARTICIPATION IF THERE'S ANY WAY THAT WE CAN  
25   GET IT. AND WE CAME HERE A LITTLE MORE THAN TWO YEARS AGO AND

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1 ASKED TO HAVE OUR ELECTION CONSOLIDATED INTO THE NOVEMBER OF  
2 EVEN-YEAR MEASURES. THAT ITEM WAS DENIED. WE WERE THEN LATER  
3 THAT SAME YEAR SUED UNDER THE CALIFORNIA VOTING RIGHTS ACT FOR  
4 HAVING AT-LARGE VOTING. WE SETTLED AND THERE'S A STIPULATED  
5 JUDGMENT THAT'S NOW SIGNED BY THE JUDGE. IT REQUIRES US TO DO  
6 MORE VOTER EDUCATION AND REACH-OUT TO INCREASE VOTER  
7 PARTICIPATION. IT ALSO REQUIRES US TO ASK THE COUNTY TO  
8 CONSOLIDATE THE ELECTION INTO THEIR NOVEMBER '16 RATHER THAN  
9 NOVEMBER 2015 AND THE USE OF CUMULATIVE VOTING AS THE  
10 REGISTRAR JUST TALKED ABOUT. I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT THE  
11 REGISTRAR SAID THEY'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE THE ELECTION IF IT'S  
12 NOT NEEDED OR IF IT'S NOT REQUIRED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.  
13 WE DO HAVE A STIPULATED JUDGMENT SIGNED BY THE JUDGE THAT SAYS  
14 THERE WILL BE NO ELECTION IN 2015 AND THE TERMS ARE EXTENDED  
15 UNTIL 2016. I'VE READ THE REGISTRAR'S LETTER HERE. I  
16 UNDERSTAND IT. I WOULD ASK THE BOARD, HOWEVER, TO APPROVE OUR  
17 REQUEST TO HAVE THE ELECTION MOVE TO 2016 AND HAVE IT BE WITH  
18 CUMULATIVE VOTING. I WOULD REQUEST THAT THE BOARD CHALLENGE  
19 THE REGISTRAR. THEY HAVE A LONG TIME STILL BEFORE THAT  
20 ELECTION TO GO AHEAD AND FIGURE OUT A WAY TO HAVE CUMULATIVE  
21 VOTING. THEY SEEM TO KNOW ABOUT IT. I CHALLENGE THEM TO DO IT.  
22 IF THE REGISTRAR COMES BACK AND SAYS THEY CANNOT DO IT, THEN  
23 WE, THE COLLEGE DISTRICT BY THE STIPULATED JUDGMENT, ARE  
24 REQUIRED TO HOLD THAT ELECTION OURSELF IN NOVEMBER 2016 AND  
25 WITH CUMULATIVE VOTING. THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN? ERIC PREVEN?  
3 HERMAN HERMAN. AND WAYNE SPINDLER. YES, SIR.

4

5 **KEVIN SCHENKMAN:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISORS.  
6 I REPRESENT THE PLAINTIFFS IN THE CALIFORNIA VOTING RIGHTS ACT  
7 SUIT THAT PROMPTED THIS REQUEST. WE'VE DEVOTED THE PAST  
8 SEVERAL YEARS OF OUR PRACTICE TO COMBATING MINORITY VOTE  
9 DILUTION IN CALIFORNIA. AMONG THE BIGGEST OBSTACLES TO  
10 MINORITY PARTICIPATION AND ELECTIONS IN L.A. COUNTY IN  
11 PARTICULAR IS OFF-CYCLE ELECTIONS. NO OTHER COUNTY IN  
12 CALIFORNIA HAS NEARLY AS MANY OFF-CYCLE ELECTIONS AS LOS  
13 ANGELES COUNTY. AND UNFORTUNATELY THE BIGGEST OBSTACLE TO  
14 REMEDYING THAT ISSUE, THAT ASPECT OF MINORITY VOTE DILUTION  
15 HAS BEEN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR. WE'VE PROVIDED A  
16 LETTER RECENTLY TO EACH OF YOU REGARDING THE LEGALITY AND  
17 SUCCESS OF CUMULATIVE VOTING IN OTHER DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT THE  
18 UNITED STATES. AND I WON'T REITERATE ALL OF THE POINTS  
19 MENTIONED IN THAT LETTER. I BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY WITH  
20 RESPECT TO THE INSTANT CONSOLIDATION REQUEST FROM THE SANTA  
21 CLARITA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT ONE OF THE FEW ISSUES WE  
22 AGREED WITH THAT COLLEGE DISTRICT, THE REGISTRAR HAS NOT  
23 PROVIDED THIS BOARD WITH SUFFICIENT INFORMATION TO JUSTIFY  
24 REFUSING THE COLLEGE DISTRICT'S REQUEST. SECTION 10405.7 OF  
25 THE ELECTION CODE REQUIRES THE APPROVAL IF THE ADDITIONAL

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1 ELECTION WILL FIT ON THE BALLOT. THE REGISTRAR HASN'T PROVIDED  
2 SUPERVISORS WITH ANY INFORMATION REGARDING PAST BALLOTS, HOW  
3 MANY SPACES THOSE HAVE TAKEN IN THE STATEWIDE GENERAL  
4 ELECTIONS, AND THE REGISTRAR ALSO HASN'T PROVIDED THIS BOARD  
5 WITH ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE NUMBER OF BALLOT SPACES  
6 HISTORICALLY IT WOULD TAKE BASED UPON THE NUMBER OF CANDIDATES  
7 THAT WE SEE IN THIS COLLEGE DISTRICT'S ELECTIONS, HOW MUCH  
8 BALLOT SPACE THAT WOULD REQUIRE. AND WHETHER THAT WOULD EXCEED  
9 THE CAPACITY OF L.A. COUNTY'S BALLOT. I THINK IF YOU LOOK AT  
10 THOSE NUMBERS IT WOULD NOT COME EVEN CLOSE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
11 TIME.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL:** COUNSEL, I HAVE A QUESTION FOR YOU, OR TWO. I'M  
16 NOT FAMILIAR WITH CUMULATIVE VOTING. SO, FIRST OF ALL, IS THIS  
17 -- WAS THIS FOUND TO SATISFY THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT?

18

19 **KEVIN SCHENKMAN:** YES. IT'S BEEN IMPLEMENTED BY COURT DECREE  
20 AND COURT IN NEW YORK. SEVERAL JURISDICTIONS IN TEXAS. FEDERAL  
21 VOTING RIGHTS ACTS SINCE HAVE BEEN SETTLED, SETTLEMENTS  
22 INVOLVING CUMULATIVE VOTING. IT'S ALSO BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE  
23 UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT, BOTH JUSTICES O'CONNER AND THOMAS  
24 HAVE SAID THAT CUMULATIVE VOTING IS AN APPROPRIATE REMEDY IN  
25 CERTAIN VOTING RIGHTS ACTS.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL:** WHICH JUSTICES THE DID YOU SAY?

3

4 **KEVIN SCHENKMAN:** O'CONNER AND THOMAS.

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL:** SO THIS OFTEN IS LIKE A COMPROMISE WHEN YOU DON'T  
7 WANT TO DO DISTRICTS, AM I CORRECT? NOT YOU. WHEN A  
8 MUNICIPALITY OR BOARD DOESN'T WANT TO DO DISTRICTS.

9

10 **KEVIN SCHENKMAN:** ONE OF THE KEY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE  
11 FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND THE CALIFORNIA VOTING RIGHTS ACT  
12 IS THE FEDERAL REQUIRES A PLAINTIFF TO SHOW THAT [INAUDIBLE]  
13 DISTRICTS. THE CALIFORNIA ACT THAT IS NOT REQUIRED. SO IN  
14 SANTA CLARITA, THE DRAWING OF THE MAJORITY LATINO DISTRICT IS  
15 NOT POSSIBLE. AND SO DISTRICTS MAY NOT BE A PARTICULARLY  
16 EFFECTIVE REMEDY IN THAT PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCE. AND WITHIN  
17 THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE BELIEVE THAT CUMULATIVE VOTING AND  
18 PERHAPS OTHERS ARE --

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT NO ONE IN CALIFORNIA IS DOING CUMULATIVE  
21 VOTING YET OR HAS?

22

23 **KEVIN SCHENKMAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

24

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1    **SUP. KUEHL:** AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE HASN'T SORT OF

2    CONFIRMED A GOOD WAY TO DO IT, FOR INSTANCE?

3

4    **KEVIN SCHENKMAN:** THAT'S CORRECT, ALSO. THERE ARE OTHER

5    JURISDICTIONS THAT HAVE BALLOT STYLES.

6

7    **SUP. KUEHL:** WHAT DOES A BALLOT LOOK LIKE WHEN YOU DO

8    CUMULATIVE VOTING? IF FIVE PEOPLE ARE TO BE ELECTED AFTER EACH

9    NAME THERE'S FIVE BUBBLES THAT YOU COULD FILL IN OR WHATEVER?

10

11   **KEVIN SCHENKMAN:** THAT'S ESSENTIALLY CORRECT.

12

13   **SUP. KUEHL:** AND THERE ARE DEVICES THAT CAN RECOGNIZE AND COUNT

14   THOSE VOTES?

15

16   **KEVIN SCHENKMAN:** YES. IN FACT EVERY ELECTION MACHINERY DEVICE

17   THAT IS USED FOR YOUR MORE TYPICAL PLURALITY AT-LARGE ELECTION

18   CAN ALSO BE USED FOR A CUMULATIVE VOTING ELECTION SIMPLY BY

19   REPEATING THE CANDIDATE'S NAME AS MANY TIMES AS THERE ARE

20   SEATS AVAILABLE. THAT'S EXACTLY HOW THE AMARILLO VOTING BALLOT

21   LOOKS. AND I'VE PROVIDED A COPY AS AN EXHIBIT TO THE LETTER.

22

23   **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, COUNSEL. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

24

25   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. HERMAN?

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1

2 **HERMAN HERMAN:** YES, MR. MAYOR. I FIND IT IN GREAT IMPORTANCE

3 AS YOU SEE IN MY SHIRT THAT IT SHOULD BE AMERICAN CITIZENS

4 REGISTERED TO VOTE THE SAME WAY WHEN WE'RE 18 AND WE REGISTER

5 OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL IN THE UNITED STATES. BUT IN REGARDS TO

6 REQUESTS, THE SANTA CLARITA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO

7 APPROVE FOR A COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT'S REQUEST IN THE

8 FUTURE YEARS REGARDING CONTINUED CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS,

9 WOULDN'T YOU AGREE THAT THERE'S BEEN A CONFLICT OF PROBLEMS

10 REGARDING VOTING? VOTING IS A RIGHT. WHETHER YOU WANT TO VOTE

11 YEA OR WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANT TO VOTE OPPOSED. AND MISS SOLIS

12 KNOWS ABOUT IT BECAUSE WHEN I VOTED FOR HER, IT WAS EITHER YEA

13 OR NAY. THAT'S HOW MS. MOLINA HAPPENED TO STEP DOWN. BUT AGAIN

14 I DIDN'T VOTE ON ANY PARTICULAR VOTE BECAUSE I HAVE A RIGHT TO

15 VOTE YES OR NO, AS MANY OF YOU DO OUT THERE IN THE SAN

16 BERNADINO AREA AND SANTA CLARITA AND ANYWHERE IN L.A. COUNTY,

17 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. SO YOU HAVE TO MAKE YOUR OWN DECISION

18 ON WHAT'S APPROPRIATE AND WHAT'S INAPPROPRIATE WHEN VOTING AND

19 MAKING DECISIONS ON WHAT IMPACTS YOUR LIFE. BECAUSE I KNOW I

20 VOTED NOT FOR MR. RILEY BECAUSE HE'S NOT IN MY DISTRICT. I

21 VOTED FOR MS. SOLIS BECAUSE SHE'S IN MY REPRESENTATIVE

22 DISTRICT. AND SO AS CONGRESS AND MANY OTHERS LISTEN IN ON THIS

23 LOCAL ISSUE ON HOW TO VOTE, WHEN TO VOTE, WHO TO VOTE FOR, I'M

24 NOT TALKING ABOUT SPECIAL INTERESTS. I'M NOT SAYING GO WITH

25 THE MONEY. BUT IN MOST CAMPAIGNS FOR VOTING, THERE'S A LOT OF



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1 CAMPAIGN FRAUD. AND I HATE TO BRING UP MR. TONY CARDENEZ, WHO  
2 USED TO BE A COUNCILMAN AT CITY HALL WHO ILLEGALLY WASTED OUR  
3 TAXPAYING DOLLARS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** TOMORROW IN SACRAMENTO THEY WILL BE TAKING UP  
8 THE CLEAN MONEY INITIATIVE. AND THAT'S WHAT ALL THIS IS REALLY  
9 ABOUT IS WE KNOW THAT THE PEOPLE, THE TAXPAYERS ARE NOT BEING  
10 REPRESENTED. THAT'S REALLY THE ISSUE. AND WHEN THEY WANT TO  
11 REDISTRICT BY RACE, IT'S REALLY A POWER PLAY IN TERMS OF  
12 LIBERAL RAISING THE TAXES VERSUS LOGICAL AND STOP RAISING  
13 TAXES ON THE SAME PEOPLE OVER AND OVER AGAIN TO WASTE IT. SO  
14 ALL OF THIS IS UNDER THE GUISE OF WE ARE GOING TO LET MORE  
15 PEOPLE PARTICIPATE. 92 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE IN THE LAST  
16 ELECTION IN LOS ANGELES DECIDED NOT TO PARTICIPATE WHO ARE  
17 REGISTERED TO VOTE. IF YOU TOOK THE ELIGIBLE REGISTERED TO  
18 VOTE AND YOU DIVIDED BY THE ACTUAL PARTICIPATION, IT'S LESS  
19 THAN TWO PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE, 99 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE HAVE  
20 HAD ENOUGH. SO THE ANSWER BY CITY HALL IN LOS ANGELES WAS TO  
21 MOVE THEIR ELECTIONS TO EVEN YEARS. AND THEY DUPED THE STUPID  
22 VOTERS, THE 8 PERCENT WHO BOTHERED TO VOTE, AND THEY PASSED  
23 IT. SO THE END EFFECT IS THAT NOW THEY'RE MOVING EVERYTHING TO  
24 EVEN YEARS. SO THE GRAVITATION, WHETHER I AGREE OR DISAGREE IS  
25 IRRELEVANT, IT IS MOVING TOWARDS A JUNE AND NOVEMBER LOCAL,

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1 NATIONAL ELECTION SYSTEM. THAT'S JUST THE NEW NORM. SO MIGHT  
2 AS WELL DO IT BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. AND THEN  
3 THERE WON'T BE ANY ISSUE IN TERMS OF DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE  
4 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IS REPRESENTED BY NOBODY WHEN 20  
5 PERCENT ARE ASIAN AMERICANS AND THEY HAVE NO REPRESENTATION ON  
6 THE CITY COUNCIL. SO IF THEY CAN COMMIT APARTHEID THAN ANYBODY  
7 CAN. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN?

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11 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH. IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
12 DISTRICT 3. AND I FIND THIS ITEM QUITE INTRIGUING. I MEAN, I  
13 THINK EVERYBODY SUPPORTS A KIND OF PROPORTIONAL  
14 REPRESENTATION. AND THIS IDEA OF CUMULATIVE VOTING IS  
15 INTERESTING. IT DOES REQUIRE TACTICS, HOWEVER, WHEN YOU VOTE,  
16 THAT I THINK ONCE THE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDS HOW IT WORKS, WE  
17 COULD PERHAPS PLAY ALONG. BUT AT THE MOMENT IT DOES SEEM A  
18 LITTLE CONFUSING. THERE'S SOMETHING CALLED PLUMPING, WHICH IS  
19 WHERE YOU AGGREGATE VOTES. YOU TRY TO LOAD UP. AND THEN  
20 THERE'S SOMETHING CALLED SPREADING OUT, WHICH IS -- AND BOTH  
21 OF THESE THINGS WOULD OF COURSE DEPEND ON WHO YOU WANT TO GET  
22 IN. SO I DON'T KNOW. I THINK THAT MAKING THINGS SIMPLER AND  
23 FAIRER IS SOMETHING THAT EVERYBODY IN THE PUBLIC SUPPORTS.  
24 THERE ARE A LOT OF GRASSROOTS APPROACHES THAT CAN BE USED  
25 THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, MR. BELLMAN COULD INFORM THE PUBLIC ABOUT

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1 HOW TO SET FAIR DEBATES WITH VARIOUS CANDIDATES. HE'S GOT SOME  
2 EXPERTISE IN THAT AREA, OR THE ALTERNATIVE. AND I THINK THAT  
3 THERE'S A NEED FOR EQUAL TIME. THERE'S A LOT OF EXPOSURE FOR  
4 INCUMBENT CANDIDATES IN VARIOUS ELECTIONS THAT COMES ABOUT  
5 KIND OF ORGANICALLY OR INORGANICALLY UNFORTUNATELY. AND THAT  
6 NEEDS TO BE KIND OF REMEDIED SO THAT INDIVIDUALS CAN HAVE A  
7 CHANCE TO PLAY ON A LEVEL FIELD. THERE'S ALSO SOMETHING CALLED  
8 MATCHING FUNDS, WHICH AS YOU ALL KNOW IS VERY IMPORTANT. AND  
9 THE CITY ELECTION RECENTLY THERE'S STILL 7.5 MILLION IN A  
10 MATCHING FUND ACCOUNT. NOW IN ORDER TO I GUESS THE WORD WOULD  
11 BE TO QUALIFY TO ACCESS MATCHING FUNDS, YOU HAVE TO YOU HAVE  
12 TO AT LEAST HAVE ONE DEBATE DURING A PRIMARY OR TWO DEBATES  
13 DURING A GENERAL ELECTION. NOW IF YOU DON'T DO THAT AND YOU  
14 COUNT YOUR MONEY AT DOLLARS 44,000 IN AN ELECTION, THE  
15 INCUMBENT PUT DOLLARS 44,000 INTO HIS ACCOUNT. HE WILL HAVE TO  
16 GIVE THAT BACK BECAUSE HE FAILED TO PROVIDE A DEBATE EVEN  
17 THOUGH HE HAD BEEN ASKED BY A NUMBER. SO THIS IS GOING TO COME  
18 FORWARD AT THE CITY ETHICS COMMISSION. THANK YOU. MR. LOGAN?  
19 DEAN LOGAN?

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21 **DEAN LOGAN:** YES, I'M OVER HERE, SIR.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE SO VERSATILE. THE QUESTION IS  
24 YOU HAD A COUNSEL UP HERE GIVING SOME ADVICE. COULD YOU TELL  
25 US WHAT THE REAL LAW IS?

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2 **DEAN LOGAN:** YEAH. LET ME JUST CLARIFY A COUPLE OF POINTS. I

3 THINK THE POINT WAS MADE WITH REGARD TO THE BALLOT CAPACITY.

4 AND YOU'LL RECALL A FEW WEEKS AGO WE HAD THE CITY OF SANTA

5 CLARITA ON THE AGENDA WITH A SIMILAR ITEM TO MOVE THEIR

6 ELECTIONS TO THE EVEN-YEAR ELECTION CYCLE. IN FACT WE DID THE

7 ANALYSIS THAT WAS REFERENCED BY THE SPEAKER AND DETERMINED

8 THAT WE COULD RECOMMEND TO MOVE THE ELECTION TO THE EVEN-YEAR

9 CYCLE. THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE WITH THIS REQUEST. THE ISSUE HERE

10 IS THE CUMULATIVE VOTING COMPONENT. AND THERE ARE REALLY THREE

11 OBSTACLES THAT THAT CREATES THAT MAKE US UNABLE TO COMPLETE

12 THAT PROCESS WITH OUR CURRENT VOTING SYSTEM, FIRST IS THE THE

13 ONE THAT I BROUGHT UP THAT THERE'S NO LEGAL FRAMEWORK TO

14 DEFINE WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE. IT WOULD BE THE EQUIVALENT OF

15 SOMEBODY SAYING YOU SHOULD CONDUCT THE ELECTION DOING ROCK,

16 PAPER, SCISSORS. THERE MIGHT BE LOGIC BEHIND THAT BUT AS AN

17 ADMINISTRATOR I HAVE TO HAVE GUIDELINES AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK TO

18 DIRECT ME HOW TO DO THAT. THE SECOND OBSTACLE IS THAT CURRENT

19 ELECTION LAW SAYS THAT IF YOU CONSOLIDATE ONTO A STATE OR

20 COUNTYWIDE ELECTION, THEN THAT ELECTION IN ITS ENTIRETY WILL

21 BE GOVERNED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE CURRENT ELECTIONS CODE.

22 AND THE CURRENT ELECTIONS CODE DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR CUMULATIVE

23 VOTING IN THOSE ELECTIONS. AND THE THIRD ISSUE, IF YOU FOLLOW

24 THE MODEL THAT HAS BEEN PRESENTED IN THE DOCUMENTATION THAT'S

25 BEEN SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM, WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT YOU WOULD

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1 LIST THE CANDIDATE THREE OR FIVE TIMES IN A ROW, REPEAT THEIR  
2 NAMES, WHILE WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE THAT ON OUR  
3 BALLOT STYLE, OUR TABULATION SYSTEM DOES NOT HAVE THE  
4 MECHANISM TO TABULATE THOSE VOTES IN A CUMULATIVE FASHION THAT  
5 WOULD ACTUALLY REPORT OUT THE VOTES INTENDED BY THE CUMULATIVE  
6 VOTING SCHEME THAT'S PROPOSED HERE. SO THAT'S WHY WE'RE  
7 RECOMMENDING IN THIS CASE IT'S NOT AN ISSUE WITH MOVING THE  
8 ELECTION TO THE EVEN YEAR, IT'S REALLY THE COMPONENT OF  
9 CUMULATIVE VOTING WHICH IS TIED TO THAT IN THE DISTRICT'S  
10 RESOLUTION AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE RECOMMENDING, ALONG WITH THE  
11 C.E.O., TO MAKE A FINDING THAT OUR BALLOT STYLE AND VOTING  
12 SYSTEM CANNOT ACCOMMODATE THE REQUEST.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THEN I WOULD MOVE YOUR  
15 RECOMMENDATION AS STATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA THAT  
16 RECOMMENDING THE BASE YEAR APRIL 21, 2015 MEMO FROM THE  
17 REGISTRAR/COUNTY CLERK THE BOARD ADOPT THE FINDINGS THAT IS  
18 THE COUNTY'S BALLOT STYLE AND VOTING EQUIPMENT CANNOT HANDLE  
19 THE REQUESTED CONSOLIDATION AND THE BOARD DENY THE DISTRICT'S  
20 REQUEST FOR CONSOLIDATION AT YOUR RECOMMENDATION. SUPERVISOR  
21 KUEHL?

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** I'M SORRY. DOES THAT MOVE IT TO CONSOLIDATE THE  
24 DATE BUT NOT USE CUMULATIVE VOTING? OR ARE WE NOT  
25 CONSOLIDATING THE DATE NEXT YEAR?

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2 **DEAN LOGAN:** THE WAY THE DISTRICT'S RESOLUTION WAS WRITTEN, YOU  
3 CAN'T SEPARATE THOSE TWO THINGS. SO THIS WOULD BE A DENIAL OF  
4 THE REQUEST, YES.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. WITHOUT  
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU, DEAN.

8

9 **DEAN LOGAN:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** APPRECIATE IT. OKAY. ITEM NO. 34 WAS  
12 HELD BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. I SIMPLY  
15 WANT TO SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING, THAT WE ALL HAVE INCREASED  
16 ATTENTION THAT IS FOCUSED ON THE ISSUE OF PSYCHIATRIC URGENT  
17 CARE CENTERS. WHY? BECAUSE THEY FILL A VOID IN AVERTING MENTAL  
18 HEALTH CRISIS FOR INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES. AND I THINK  
19 IT'S WELL-ESTABLISHED BY PREVIOUS BOARD ACTIONS AND  
20 DELIBERATIONS THAT WE ARE VERY CONCERNED TO DO RIGHT BY MENTAL  
21 HEALTH PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES. THE ADDITIONAL POINT TO BE  
22 MADE IS UNDER S.B.-82 OUR COUNTY IS GOING TO GREATLY EXPAND  
23 AND OPEN NEW PSYCHIATRIC URGENT CARE CENTERS. IT'S IMPORTANT  
24 THAT WE GATHER DATA AND MEASURE IT ACROSS THE COUNTY IN A WAY  
25 THAT ALLOWS DATA TO BE COMPARED SYSTEMATICALLY TO ENSURE WE

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1 ARE MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. AT THIS TIME WE  
2 CANNOT COMPARE DATA FROM PSYCHIATRIC URGENT CARE CENTERS AS  
3 THERE ARE TWO PRIVATE OPERATORS AND ONE DIRECTLY OPERATED BY  
4 THE URGENT CARE CENTER. AND AS WE EXPAND THE SYSTEM, IN ORDER  
5 FOR US TO BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THESE RESOURCES, WE NEED TO HAVE  
6 A BETTER SENSE OF WHAT THOSE OUTCOMES ARE AND HOW WE CAN  
7 MEASURE THEM. AND SO IT IS MY HOPE THAT WE WOULD MOVE THIS  
8 MOTION FORWARD, THE ITEM FORWARD, 34, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO  
9 OFFER AN AMENDMENT FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION, AND THAT'S  
10 ESSENTIALLY TO TRACK THE SUCCESS ACROSS ALL URGENT CARE  
11 CENTERS AND TO DIRECT THE INTERIM C.E.O. AND THE DIRECTORS OF  
12 THE DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES TO  
13 COLLECT, STANDARDIZED AND UNIFORM DATA FROM THE CENTERS ON A  
14 MONTHLY BASIS. THIS UNIFORM AND STANDARDIZED DATA SHOULD  
15 INCLUDE PATIENT DEMOGRAPHICS, CENSUS, ACUITY INCLUDING A 5150  
16 ADMITS AND A LIST OF OTHER THINGS THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR A  
17 FULL, COMPLETE, COMPREHENSIVE REPORT. THE C.E.O. SHALL REPORT  
18 BACK TO THE BOARD IN 30 DAYS WITH THE REPORT, PROPOSED REPORT  
19 FORMAT FOR OUR REVIEW AND APPROVAL. I OFFER THAT AS AN  
20 AMENDMENT TO ITEM 34, MR. MAYOR.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE

23

24 **A MOTION. A SECOND TO THAT?**

25



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1 >>**SPEAKER:** SECOND.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY COMMENT? IF NOT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR  
6 ADDING IN A FEW EXTRA MEASURES THAT WE HAD REQUESTED, THOSE  
7 FOR A NUMBER OF PEOPLE FOR WHOM CONSERVATORSHIPS ARE PROVIDED  
8 FOR INSTANCE WHICH I THINK ALSO HELPS IN OUR DELIBERATIONS.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER, MR.  
11 SPINDLER?

12

13 **WAYNE SPINDER:** YES. THIS IS REALLY AN ADJUNCT TO THE HOMELESS  
14 SITUATION WE HAVE. THEY'RE REALLY NOT SPENDING ENOUGH MONEY  
15 FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. SO INTERESTING THAT YOU HAVE THE  
16 PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY SERVICE BECAUSE WHAT HAPPENS TYPICALLY  
17 IS IN AN INVESTIGATION OF A FIELD, A PEACE OFFICER COULD  
18 DECLARE A 5150 SITUATION UNDER THE LAW, REQUIRING THE PERSON  
19 TO BE HELD FOR 72 HOURS IF THEY ARE A PUBLIC DANGER TO THE  
20 PUBLIC OR THEMSELVES. AND A LOT OF TIMES IN A COUNTY THIS  
21 LARGE, JUST THOSE CALLS ALONE CAN ADD UP. THAT'S THREE DAYS  
22 YOU HAVE TO PUT SOMEBODY IN INCARCERATION. BUT IN THE MENTAL  
23 HEALTH SETTING, THAT IS NOT A CUSTODIAL INTERROGATION SETTING.  
24 IT JUST MAY BE SOMEBODY'S UNDER STRESS OR O.D.'D AND THEY WERE  
25 CAUGHT WHILE THEY WERE STILL TRYING TO GRAB THE OFFICER'S

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1 TASER, FOR EXAMPLE. BUT A LOT OF TIMES WHAT HAPPENS IS THAT A  
2 PERSON WITH METAL PROBLEMS IS ENCOUNTERED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT;  
3 AND BECAUSE OF BUDGET CUTS, IN MY OPINION, I THINK THAT THEY  
4 RESORTED TO JUST BEATING AND SHOOTING THESE PEOPLE RATHER THAN  
5 DETAINING THEM AND REFERRING THEM FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.  
6 I THINK THAT'S AN INCENTIVE. SO IF YOU GIVE MORE MONEY FOR  
7 THESE SERVICES TO THE POINT WHERE IT'S FEASIBLE TO TAKE THESE  
8 PEOPLE AND REFER THEM TO MENTAL HEALTH, I THINK A LOT OF THIS  
9 VIOLENCE ON THE STREETS COULD BE ABATED AND THE CIVIL  
10 JUDGMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED. IT GETS PEOPLE DISABILITIES  
11 AND MENTAL ILLNESS. SO THE MORE FUNDING YOU GIVE FOR THESE  
12 TYPES OF PROGRAMS THE BETTER. THERE JUST ISN'T ENOUGH YOU CAN  
13 GIVE FOR THESE PEOPLE. DO ALL YOU CAN. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. HERMAN HERMAN.

16

17 **HERMAN HERMAN:** MR. MAYOR, MR. KNABE, GOOD AFTERNOON, AND MS.  
18 SOLIS. WE ALL KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF STABILIZING THE MENTAL  
19 HEALTH CRISIS OF OUR POTENTIAL VICTIMS, WHICH ARE THE MENTALLY  
20 DISABLED. AND WE KNOW THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE TODAY HAS TO DO  
21 WITH EDUCATION. REFORM IN OUR EDUCATION TO PROMOTE SOME  
22 BEHAVIOR STANDARD THAT PROVIDES AN EDUCATION NOT TO THE RESORT  
23 OF BAD TREATMENT, ENFORCEABLE TREATMENT OR NEGLIGENCE AND  
24 LIABILITY OF BOTH L.A.P.D. AND THE SHERIFFS TO BEAT DOWN ANY  
25 PERSON WHO MAY BE MENTALLY UNABLE TO DEFEND THEMSELVES. SO,

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1 YES, IT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE A HEALTH SERVICE CRISIS, BUT THEN  
2 AGAIN, WITHOUT THE APPROPRIATE SERVICE FOR FUNDING,  
3 ALLOCATIONS OF APPROPRIATENESS, MONEY BEING DESIGNATED FOR  
4 THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE ONLY, HOW CAN WE RESORT TO MAKING THE  
5 SYSTEM BETTER TO ASSIST THESE PEOPLE? ANYONE. IT COULD BE YOUR  
6 FAMILY MEMBER. IT COULD BE THIS LADY TO MY RIGHT'S PARENTS.  
7 USUALLY THE ELDERLY BECOME DISABLED, WHETHER IT'S PHYSICALLY  
8 OR MENTALLY. AND I MUST SAY THAT MY EXPERIENCE AS A NURSE,  
9 C.N.A. AT COUNTY+U.S.C. FOR 6 YEARS, 6 MINUTES, 6 HOURS AND 6  
10 SECONDS, I WOULD SAY TO YOU YOU PROVIDE A LACK OF SERVICE WHEN  
11 YOU DENY HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO THE PEOPLE IN  
12 NEED. KEEP YOUR SIX SECONDS AND THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YEAH, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.  
15 AND I REALLY HADN'T THOUGHT ABOUT SPEAKING ON THIS UNTIL I  
16 ACTUALLY READ IT A SECOND TIME. IT'S ACTUALLY TWO ITEMS AGAIN  
17 THAT YOU'RE SNEAKING THROUGH. AND ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I HAD  
18 IS PART OF THIS IS 35 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS, WHEREAS  
19 YOUR ITEM 38 IS PERMANENT POSITIONS. SO ARE THESE FULL-TIME  
20 PERMANENT POSITIONS? OR ARE THESE POSITIONS THAT WOULD BE  
21 AVAILABLE FOR HOW LONG A PERIOD OF TIME AND THE FUNDING THAT  
22 BECOMES AVAILABLE I GUESS BECAUSE THE SECOND PART OF THIS, THE  
23 \$697,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 IS TO REIMBURSE THE DEPARTMENT  
24 OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR COSTS INCURRED FOR PERSONNEL AND  
25 TRANSPORTATION OF CLIENTS FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH U.C.C. TO THE

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1 OLIVE VIEW-U.C.L.A. PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY SERVICE. SO WHAT IS  
2 THE -- WHERE IS THE FUNDING COMING FOR THESE 35 FULL-TIME  
3 EQUIVALENT POSITIONS? IS THAT THE \$4 MILLION? AND AGAIN IT  
4 DOESN'T MENTION PERMANENT POSITIONS. AND DO YOU KNOW WHAT?  
5 WHAT'S REALLY SOMETHING WHEN YOU GET TO COME TO THESE  
6 GOVERNMENT MEETINGS A LOT OF TIMES, IT'S THE LANGUAGE THAT'S  
7 USED. THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. BECAUSE IT'S SOME KIND OF  
8 LEGALESE INVOLVED HERE. SO ARE THESE JUST POSITIONS THAT WILL  
9 BE AROUND FOR A GRANT, A PERIOD OF A GRANT? OR ARE THEY  
10 PERMANENT POSITIONS, AS YOU PUT IN YOUR AGENDA FOR ITEM 38, 77  
11 NEW FULL-TIME PERMANENT POSITIONS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
12 AND 33 NEW FULL-TIME PERMANENT POSITIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
13 MENTAL HEALTH. THESE ARE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS FOR  
14 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. I DON'T SEE THE PERMANENCY.  
15 IF THEY'RE NOT PERMANENT, THEN HOW LONG WILL THEY BE AROUND?  
16 GET AN ANSWER ON THAT? YOU'RE OUT OF TIME.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP LEONARD ROSE.

19

20 **MELLO DESIRE:** HI, MY NAME IS MELLO DESIRE AND AS LONG AS WE  
21 SEE THE FUNDING THAT WE GO FOR POSITIONING IN THE MENTAL  
22 HEALTH DEPARTMENT, HOW MENTAL HEALTH IS A MAJOR PROBLEM WITH  
23 FUNDING AS FAR AS EVEN KEEPING POSITIONS FOR CASEWORKERS, THE  
24 MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTION IS NOT AS STRUCTURED AS IT SHOULD  
25 BE. THERE'S NOT ENOUGH FUNDING FOR CLASSES OR EVEN -- CLASSES

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1 THAT WILL HELP INTERPRET OR EVEN GIVE THEM A WAY OF THINKING  
2 OUTSIDE THE BOX OTHER THAN POPPING THEM PILLS. SO ONE THING  
3 THAT WE SEE WITH HOMELESSNESS AND THE INCREASE OF MENTAL  
4 HEALTH IS THERE AREN'T ENOUGH POSITIVE PROGRAMS BEFORE WE EVEN  
5 REACH A SOLUTION OF GIVING MORE JOBS FOR POSITIONS THAT ARE  
6 NOT EVEN THERE IN THE BEGINNING. SO AS FAR AS GETTING  
7 CASEWORKERS WHO NEVER BEEN THROUGH THE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE,  
8 HAVE NEVER EVER BEEN HOMELESS OR NEVER BEEN THROUGH  
9 INCARCERATION YET, THEY'RE PUT IN POSITIONS TO HELP TREAT  
10 PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING THROUGH THIS, THEY'RE VERY CALLOUSED, NO  
11 COMPASSION. BUT YET WE WANT THE HIRE MORE POSITIONS FOR MENTAL  
12 HEALTH INSTITUTIONS. WHAT WE NEED IS CLASSES. ART CLASSES.  
13 SOMETHING SIMPLE TO SEE THE SUPPRESSION THAT YOU GUYS GIVE  
14 WITHOUT ENOUGH FUNDING TO HELP SUPPRESS WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE  
15 FIRST PLACE. MENTAL HEALTH COMES OUT BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF  
16 RESOURCES, BECAUSE OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT WE LIVE IN,  
17 BECAUSE FUNDING IS GOING INTO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OR  
18 L.A.P.D. RATHER THAN EDUCATING. AND WE HAVE A TON OF EMPTY  
19 BUILDINGS WHICH WE CAN START WORKING AND HELPING THOSE WHO  
20 HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH P.T.S.D. OR MILD DEPRESSION, IF WE  
21 PUT MORE FUNDING IN ARTS AND RESOURCES, WE'LL HAVE LESS THAN  
22 FOR PSYCHIATRISTS. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO FOR THE LAST SPEAKER AND  
25 WE'LL CLOSE IS MR. WALSH. JOHN WALSH. MR. ROSE?

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2 **LEONARD ROSE:** I HAD A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN MCDONALD'S 1986, YOU  
3 KNOW. AND I KNOW ONE DEPUTY, THE PARK DEPARTMENT, THEY CAME  
4 THE MY HOUSE AND ARREST ME WHEN I HAVE A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN AND  
5 THEY TOOK ME TO MENTAL HEALTH CENTER. AND AFTER MENTAL HEALTH  
6 CENTER, THEY TAKE ME NORWALK STATE HOSPITAL TWO DAYS UNTIL I  
7 GET RIGHT MEDICATION. AND WE NEED TO GET THAT SHERIFF'S  
8 DEPARTMENT AND L.A.P.D. GET INVOLVED IN TRAINING ACADEMY TO  
9 UNDERSTAND THE MENTAL HEALTH. IT'S DEFINITELY, DEFINITELY  
10 REALLY CONCERNED ME AND HELPED ME A LOT. WE NEED TO GET MORE  
11 POLICE OFFICERS AND L.A.P.D. GET TO HELP WITH MENTAL ILLNESS  
12 AND UNDERSTAND THEM AND WORK WITH TEAM AND HELP THESE PATIENTS  
13 TO DO BETTER AT LIFE. THE GUYS ARE LUCKY TO HAVE THE TRAINING  
14 CENTER DOWN THERE. MY FRIEND ANN PARKER SAID YOU NEED TO DO  
15 THIS, TOO, AS WELL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. ROSE. MR. WALSH?

18

19 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR  
20 JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL OR TWEETING @HOLLYWOOD DEMS. ALWAYS A  
21 PLEASURE TO COME HERE COMPARED TO CITY COUNCIL. AND I DON'T  
22 ASK YOU QUESTIONS. THAT'S NOT MY JOB. THE INFORMATION IS BACK  
23 HERE. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY -- AND I'M NOT GOING TO TAKE THE  
24 FULL TWO MINUTES, YOU KNOW, I DON'T NEED EVERY SINGLE SECOND.  
25 I NEVER SAY ANYTHING AGAINST A HOSPITAL IN LOS ANGELES AFTER

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1 SPENDING ON BLUE CROSS 23 DAYS AT SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL, THE  
2 WORST HOSPITAL ON THE PLANET EARTH. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-  
5 THOMAS. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED. ITEM NO. 38,  
6 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. YOU WILL  
9 RECALL WHEN THE ITEM BEFORE US WAS TAKEN UP TWO WEEKS AGO, I  
10 MADE A REQUEST THAT WE REVISIT THIS WITH AN EYE TOWARD MORE  
11 COHERENCE OF BOTH POLICY, JOB CLASSIFICATIONS AND  
12 IMPLEMENTATION WITH BOTH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE  
13 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. AND THE WHOLE NOTION THERE WAS TO  
14 GET A FULLER PICTURE OF OUR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS  
15 IN THE JAILS, MENTAL HEALTH AS WELL AS SUICIDE PREVENTION  
16 SERVICES. ALL OF THIS IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO US. AND I  
17 WANT TO THANK THE DEPARTMENTS FOR AMENDING THE BOARD LETTER TO  
18 INCLUDE A MORE RESPONSIVE WAY OF THE BOARD DISPOSING OF THE  
19 MATTER. BUT THERE ARE SEVERAL QUESTIONS, MR. MAYOR AND  
20 COLLEAGUES, THAT I STILL WISH TO POSE, SOME OF WHICH I FULLY  
21 EXPECT THE MEMBERS OF THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS CAN ANSWER  
22 FOR THE CLARIFICATION AND THE EDIFICATION OF THE BOARD ITSELF.  
23 OTHERS OF THE QUESTIONS MIGHT BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO COME  
24 BACK TO US ON. AND I WOULD SIMPLY ASK, THEN, IF THERE ARE  
25 QUESTIONS THAT I POSE THAT YOU CAN'T ANSWER NOW, MR. MAYOR,



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1 THAT WE SCHEDULE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE QUESTIONS TO BE  
2 ANSWERED IN THE NOT SIMPLY NEAR BUT IMMEDIATE TERM. ALL OF  
3 THIS AT SOME LEVEL REDUCES ITSELF TO HOW MUCH MONEY IT IS THAT  
4 WE WILL ULTIMATELY HAVE TO SPEND. AFTER ALL, MANY OF OUR  
5 DECISIONS ARE DRIVEN BY OUR FISCAL REALITIES. TWO THINGS WORTH  
6 MENTIONING. ONE, WE DON'T HAVE AN UNLIMITED AMOUNT OF MONEY  
7 WITH WHICH TO DO THE RIGHT THING. NUMBER 2, THAT WHICH WE DO  
8 EXPEND HAS TO BE INFORMED BY ACCOUNTABILITY. SO I WANT TO ASK  
9 THE FIRST QUESTION. WHAT IS THE COUNTY'S FUNDING OBLIGATION  
10 REGARDING MUCH OF WHICH IS INFORMING THIS IN TERMS OF THE  
11 ROSAS SETTLEMENT? AND PERHAPS THE C.E.O. IS PREPARED TO  
12 RESPOND TO THAT. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE NEED TO START THERE.  
13 WHAT THE TOTAL OBLIGATION MIGHT END UP BEING AS WE PROJECT IT  
14 IN TERMS OF THE D.O.J. SETTLEMENT? MISS HAMAI?

15

16 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I BELIEVE THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNTS  
17 THAT WE HAVE SET ASIDE IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET WAS, IF MY  
18 MEMORY SERVES ME CORRECTLY, I THINK IT WAS AROUND 89 MILLION,  
19 I THINK THAT WAS THE TOTAL? I BELIEVE IT WAS CLOSE TO 89  
20 MILLION. AND THAT WAS FOR BOTH THE D.O.J. AS WELL AS THE  
21 ROSAS.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND HOW MUCH IS INCLUDED IN F.Y.'15/'16 TO  
24 ADDRESS EACH OF THE ISSUES?

25

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1   **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** FOR JUST THE SHERIFF ALONE? AND  
2   THAT'S NOT INCLUDING MENTAL HEALTH.

3

4   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT I'M ASKING FOR BOTH, YEAH.

5

6   **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** SO, EXCUSE ME, I TAKE THAT BACK  
7   THE 89 MILLION WAS NOT CORRECT. IT WAS 103 MILLION AND THAT  
8   WAS FOR 15/' 16'S BUDGET.

9

10   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

11

12   **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** AND THEN FOR MENTAL HEALTH, THE  
13   MENTAL HEALTH PIECE OF IT IS A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY 16  
14   MILLION REQUESTED BY MENTAL HEALTH AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT SET  
15   ASIDE WAS APPROXIMATELY 9.6.

16

17   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO-

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19   **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** 103.

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21   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND 16 THAT WAS REQUESTED AND  
22   APPROXIMATELY 10 WAS ULTIMATELY APPROVED FOR CONSIDERATION BY  
23   THE C.E.O., CORRECT? 9.6, DID YOU SAY?

24

25   **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I'M SORRY.

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU SAID MENTAL HEALTH MADE A REQUEST FOR  
3 --

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5 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** 16.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND?

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9 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** AND WE PUT IN APPROXIMATELY 9.6.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. I THINK IT'S USEFUL FOR THE  
12 BOARD TO HAVE AN APPRECIATION FOR HOW MUCH IT IS WE ARE MOVING  
13 IN THE DIRECTION OF ADDRESSING THE CONCERNS THAT WE ARE  
14 ARGUABLY OBLIGED TO ADDRESS. NOW, THE ADDITIONAL QUESTION HAS  
15 TO BE WHETHER OR NOT THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL DOLLARS NEXT  
16 YEAR THAT ARE GOING TO BE REQUESTED TO IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH  
17 CONDITIONS IN THE JAILS, SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICES; AND IF  
18 SO, IS THERE ANY SENSE OF WHAT THAT WILL LIKELY BE? AND WHEN  
19 THE BOARD WILL BE APPRISED OF THAT REQUEST?

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** WELL, AS YOU KNOW, IN THE  
22 PROPOSED BUDGET, THESE ARE THE INITIAL NUMBERS THAT WERE PUT  
23 IN. WE DO HAVE FINAL CHANGES COMING UP WITHIN THE NEXT FEW  
24 WEEKS. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, I HAVE NOT BEEN BRIEFED IN TERMS  
25 OF WHETHER THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MENTAL HEALTH COMING IN.

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1 MAYBE DR. SOUTHARD COULD RESPOND TO THAT QUESTION BETTER THAN  
2 I CAN. BUT I HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE REQUEST AT THIS POINT IN  
3 TIME.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL WE ARE INTERESTED IN GETTING OUR ARMS  
6 AROUND NOT ONLY HOW MUCH BUT FOR WHAT PURPOSES? AND DO WE  
7 EXPECT RECURRING EXPENSES AND/OR REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE RANGE  
8 OF PROBLEMS THAT WE'RE CURRENTLY CONTENDING WITH? DR.  
9 SOUTHARD?

10

11 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, THE 16 MILLION REPRESENTS WHAT WE  
12 BELIEVE WOULD BE NECESSARY TO IMPROVE SERVICES IN THE JAILS  
13 WITHIN THE LIMITATIONS THAT ARE OF THE CURRENT SPACE FOR US TO  
14 PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES. THE ONLY ADDITIONAL ASK FOR SERVICES  
15 WITHIN THE JAIL THAT MAY DEVELOP IS IF THE PROCEDURE IS  
16 DEVELOPED IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE GLAND FOR SERVICES INCREASES,  
17 THEN WE MIGHT NEED TO ADJUST OUR ASK. AN EXAMPLE HALF THAT IS  
18 THE SHERIFF HAS CHANGED PROCEDURES FOR MEN'S CENTRAL FOR  
19 FINDING OUT IF THERE ARE REFERRALS FOR MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT  
20 USING AN IPAD STRUCTURE. AND THAT HAS AT LEAST INITIALLY  
21 PRODUCED MORE REFERRALS. SO WE NEED TO DETERMINE IF THAT SPIKE  
22 IN REFERRALS WILL CONTINUE. AND IF THE REFERRALS REALLY NEED  
23 TREATMENT OR IF IT'S JUST THE NOVELTY. SITUATIONS LIKE THAT  
24 MAY CALL FOR AN ADDITIONAL ASK, BUT THEY WOULD NOT BE OF A  
25 GREAT MAGNITUDE.

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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SOME OF WHAT WE ARE CURRENTLY CONTENDING  
3 WITH IN TERMS OF ALLOCATION OF FUNDING IS GENERAL FUND-BASED  
4 QUESTION THAT DOES OCCUR TO SOME OF US IS WHETHER WE EXHAUSTED  
5 OTHER POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES, FOR EXAMPLE, M.H.S.A. FUNDS.  
6 WHAT HAS OUR WORK BEEN IN THAT REGARD TO EXPLORE ALLEVIATION  
7 SCENARIOS FOR OUR GENERAL FUND?

8

9 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SO THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT FUNDING  
10 CANNOT BE USED IN LOCKED SETTINGS LIKE JAILS OR HOSPITALS. BUT  
11 WE ARE USING CURRENTLY M.H.S.A. FUNDS FOR THE JAIL LINKAGE  
12 PROGRAMS AND FOR PROGRAMS THAT PREVENT PEOPLE FROM GOING INTO  
13 JAIL. AND WE HAVE AS AN EXAMPLE OF THAT, OUR JAIL MENTAL  
14 HEALTH TEAMS WHERE WE HAVE A CLINICIAN -- NOT JAIL MENTAL  
15 HEALTH, BUT LAW ENFORCEMENT MENTAL HEALTH TEAMS WHERE WE HAVE  
16 THE CLINICIAN PAIRING WITH A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN THE  
17 COMMUNITY WE BELIEVE IS A MAJOR WAY OF PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM  
18 INCARCERATED WHO HAVE A MENTAL ILLNESS AND ROUTING THEM,  
19 INSTEAD, TOWARDS TREATMENT. SO WE HAVE ASKED OUR MENTAL HEALTH  
20 SERVICES PLANNING COMMITTEE TO ADD 20 ADDITIONAL LAW  
21 ENFORCEMENT MENTAL HEALTH TEAMS IN ADVANCE OF THE PLANNING  
22 EFFORTS THAT JACKIE LACEY IS UNDERTAKING BECAUSE THERE'S A  
23 DEMAND FOR THOSE SERVICES FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.  
24 AND WE'RE ATTEMPTING TO RESPOND AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO THAT

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1 DEMAND. THAT SHOULD ACT AS A DIVERSION EFFORT FUNDED BY  
2 M.H.S.A.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I APPRECIATE YOUR RESPONSE, DR. SOUTHARD.  
5 YOU TAKE GREAT CARE TO SAY WHAT M.H.S.A. FUNDS REALLY CAN'T OR  
6 SHOULDN'T BE USED FOR. AND THEN YOU MOVE TO A SET OF REMARKS  
7 THAT SPECIFY WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN USED FOR, CONSISTENT WITH THE  
8 REGULATIONS THAT GOVERN THOSE FUNDING OPTIONS. CAN YOU GIVE US  
9 A SENSE OF WHAT THOSE NUMBERS ARE IN TERMS OF THE ALLOCATION  
10 OF M.H.S.A. RESOURCES THAT ARE HELPING US TO DEAL WITH,  
11 CONFRONT, MANAGE MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES AND SUICIDE  
12 PREVENTION ISSUES THAT WE'VE HAD IN THE JAILS OVER THE PAST  
13 SEVERAL YEARS?

14

15 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, MY STAFF HAVE COMPILED AN  
16 ANALYSIS OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT FUNDING THAT WE  
17 HAVE USED FOR DIVERSION PURPOSES HISTORICALLY PLUS WHAT WE  
18 PLAN TO ADD IN THE NEAR FUTURE. I DON'T HAVE THOSE FIGURES  
19 WITH ME, BUT I CAN SUPPLY YOUR BOARD WITH THOSE FIGURES IN THE  
20 NEXT SEVERAL DAYS.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, IT IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT AS THE  
23 BOARD CONTINUES TO THINK THROUGH HOW WE RESPONSIVELY AND  
24 RESPONSIBLY DEAL WITH THE ONGOING CHALLENGES WITH WHICH WE ARE  
25 CONFRONTED. SO I WOULD ASK THAT THOSE NUMBERS BE SUPPLIED AS

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1 SOON AS POSSIBLE, DR. SOUTHARD. AND THAT YOU DO SO THROUGH THE  
2 OFFICE OF THE C.E.O. SO THAT WE ARE ESSENTIALLY ON THE SAME  
3 PAGE WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION THAT THE BOARD IS  
4 RECEIVING. IF THAT IS ACCEPTABLE TO YOU, MR. MAYOR, I'M  
5 PREPARED TO FORMALIZE THAT REQUEST. THE ADDITIONAL QUESTION  
6 THAT I WANT TO POSE IS TO THE SHERIFF ON THE QUESTION OF  
7 DIVERSION. DO ANY OF YOUR DEPARTMENTS REQUESTED FUNDS  
8 FACILITATE THE EFFORTS AROUND DIVERSION THAT WE ARE  
9 COLLECTIVELY CONTEMPLATING OR THE SPECIFIC THINGS THAT THE  
10 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ITSELF MAY BE CONTEMPLATING? IF THE  
11 ANSWER IS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, PERHAPS YOU CAN GIVE US A SENSE  
12 OF WHAT THOSE NUMBERS LOOK LIKE.

13

14 **ASST. SHERIFF MCDONALD:** YES, SIR. TERRI MCDONALD, ASSISTANT  
15 SHERIFF. WE PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED FUNDING TO HELP WITH  
16 DIVERSION EFFORTS THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE POPULATION  
17 MANAGEMENT BUREAU. IF I RECALL WE GOT ROUGHLY 10 POSITIONS TO  
18 HELP WITH THAT. THAT TEAM HAS BEEN DOING PLACEMENT ALTERNATIVE  
19 CUSTODY ALREADY USING GRANT BEDS. WE ALSO RECEIVED GRANT  
20 FUNDING IN A COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR AFFORDABLE CARE ACT  
21 BENEFIT ENROLLMENT. SO WE HAVE FIVE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS WHOSE  
22 JOB IT IS TO GO THROUGH AND DO BENEFIT ENROLLMENT TO PEOPLE  
23 PRIOR TO LEAVING AS WELL AS ANYBODY THAT WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR  
24 GRANT BEDS. WE HAVE BEEN PLACING FEMALE OFFENDERS INTO GRANT  
25 BEDS FOR ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF NOW AS WELL AS VETERANS.



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1 WE'VE WORKED WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND SAPCY AND D.M.H. FOR  
2 TWO OTHER PROPOSALS THAT ARE COMING FORWARD FOR ALTERNATIVE  
3 CUSTODY BEDS. ONE OF THEM IS A 42-BED MALE MENTAL HEALTH AS  
4 WELL AS A 65 DRUG TREATMENT BEDS. BECAUSE THE BOARD HAD  
5 ALREADY FUNDED THE POSITIONS TO HELP WITH DIVERSION, WE DIDN'T  
6 NEED TO ASK FOR THEM IN THIS REQUEST.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR OR MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, I KNOW WE HAD  
9 THESE DISCUSSIONS AND I APPRECIATE THE DESCRIPTION THAT YOU'RE  
10 PROVIDING BECAUSE I DO THINK THAT -- I KNOW IN A CONVERSATION  
11 WE HAD, THAT THERE ARE LIMITATIONS WITH THE STAFF OF MENTAL  
12 HEALTH IN TERMS OF WHEN WE RELEASE PRISONERS, BEING ABLE TO  
13 PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND HAVING PEOPLE OVER THE WEEKEND AND  
14 AFTER HOURS, AFTER 5 P.M. WHEN MOST OF THE TRAFFIC COMES IN  
15 AND OUT, AND I WONDERED IF YOU COULD ADDRESS THAT. BECAUSE I  
16 DON'T KNOW IF THE 10 POSITIONS THAT YOU'VE REQUESTED IS GOING  
17 TO HELP US DEAL WITH THAT, GIVEN THAT WE'VE GOT PRESSURES FROM  
18 OUR PROPOSITION THAT JUST PASSED, A.B.109? CAN YOU PLEASE HELP  
19 US UNDERSTAND THAT?

20

21 **ASST. SHERIFF MCDONALD:** SO, YES, I CAN. WE DID A COUPLE OF  
22 OTHER THINGS TO HELP WITH THIS. WE WORKED WITH THE  
23 LEGISLATURE. WE GOT A LAW PASSED THAT ALLOWS US TO VOLUNTARILY  
24 HOLD PEOPLE FOR UP TO 16 HOURS POST RELEASE SO THAT WE CAN  
25 FIND PLACEMENT. WE OPENED THE COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL RELEASE

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1 CENTER. IT'S ONLY OPEN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY RIGHT NOW,  
2 THOUGH. D.M.H. IS THERE WITH US. PROBATION IS THERE WITH US.  
3 THERE'S SOME NONPROFITS THERE WITH US. SUBSTANCE ABUSE IS  
4 THERE WITH US. WE ALSO HAVE THE COMMUNITY TRANSITION UNIT  
5 PERSONNEL WHO ARE HELPING TO FIND TRANSITION HOUSING. AND DR.  
6 SOUTHARD'S TEAM ASKED FOR CASE MANAGERS TO HELP WITH DISCHARGE  
7 PLANNING. SO THERE'S QUITE A BIT OF EFFORT. I THINK THE  
8 BIGGEST CHALLENGE FOR US IS IS ACTUALLY TO FIND THOSE  
9 COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTIONS THAT I'M VERY HOPEFUL THAT S.B.82  
10 FUNDING THAT DR. SOUTHARD'S TEAM HAS BEEN WORKING ON AS WELL  
11 AS THE MONEY THE BOARD SET ASIDE FOR THE JACKIE LACEY  
12 INITIATIVE WILL HELP PROVIDE ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR US.  
13 DID THAT ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO YOU'RE NOT ASKING FOR -- WHAT I'M TRYING TO GET  
16 AT IS DO YOU FEEL THAT IS SUFFICIENT TO DEAL WITH OUR CURRENT  
17 POPULATION, WHAT YOU'RE SEEING?

18

19 **ASST. SHERIFF MCDONALD:** I THINK IT'S THE RIGHT PLACE TO START.  
20 AND WE HAVE, IF THERE'S A GAP IN WHAT WE NEED TO DO, THEN WE  
21 NEED TO DO THAT THROUGH SOME DATA ANALYSIS AND COME BACK AND  
22 ASK. I HAVE TO BE HONEST WITH YOU. BOTH OF OUR REQUESTS IS  
23 BASED ON DIALOGUES WITH D.O.J. AND UNDER ROSAS. THE MONITORS  
24 HAVEN'T GIVEN US A MONITORING PLAN, POPULATION IS DYNAMIC AND  
25 IN FLUX. WE WILL HAVE TO KEEP THIS DIALOGUE OPEN. BUT I'D

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1 RATHER COME BACK WITH STRONG DATA PROVING THE NEED, RIGHT, AND  
2 SHOWING WHERE THE GAP IS RATHER THAN ARBITRARILY ASK. YOU GUYS  
3 HAVE BEEN GENEROUS WITH HELPING US WITH DISCHARGE PLANNING. WE  
4 WILL REPORT BACK ON HOW WE ARE DOING ONCE DR. SOUTHARD GETS  
5 HIS ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND WE SEE WHAT HAPPENS WITH THE  
6 JACKIE LACEY INITIATIVE.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** I THINK THE UNDERLYING ASSUMPTION FOR SOME OF US  
9 IS THAT WE'D LIKE TO GO BEYOND ROSAS. WE'VE HAD THOSE  
10 DISCUSSIONS. BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO GO BACK AND SPEND THIS  
11 KIND OF MONEY, TAX PAYERS' MONEY IN THIS MANNER. SO THAT'S  
12 WHAT I'M LOOKING FOR, TO SEE HOW WE CAN PROVIDE MORE  
13 PREVENTION MEASURES THAT WOULD HELP US SAVE A PENNY A POUND OF  
14 FOOLISHNESS AND TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COUNTY IS REALLY  
15 DOING WHAT WE NEED TO DO RIGHT BY THE PUBLIC.

16

17 **ASST. SHERIFF MCDONALD:** YEAH, WE APPRECIATE THAT. AND THERE'S  
18 A COUPLE OF THINGS IN THE PIPELINE THAT WE'LL BE TALKING TO  
19 YOU SOON ABOUT. THOSE ARE BOTH DIVERSION PRACTICES. AS I  
20 MENTIONED DRUG TREATMENT, WE ARE NOT DOING DRUG TREATMENT IN  
21 THE JAILS. WE NEED TO GO FROM 0 TO 50 PERCENT OF THE INMATES  
22 GETTING TREATMENT. SO THERE'S A LOT OF WORK TO BE DONE IN THE  
23 FUTURE, BUT I'D LIKE TO COME BACK, DO A LITTLE BIT MORE STAFF  
24 WORK AND COME BACK. AND WE CAN ONLY TAKE ON SO MANY  
25 INITIATIVES THE AT ONE TIME. SO WE NEED TO GET THESE UP AND

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1 RUNNING, SHOW THAT THEY'RE WORKING, HAVE SOME PROOF AND THEM  
2 COME BACK AND WORK WITH YOU ON HOW BEST WE SPEND A PENNY TO  
3 SAVE A POUND, RIGHT? I AGREE WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR? MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS? ON THE MENTAL HEALTH  
6 PIECE, THE 33 THAT YOU'RE ATTEMPTING TO HIRE, ARE ANY OF THEM  
7 IN THE PIPELINE? HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE FOR YOU TO PUT THOSE  
8 FOLKS IN PLACE?

9

10 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, SOME ARE IN THE PIPELINE. BUT WE  
11 PROBABLY WILL NOT EXPEND ALL OF THE 700,000 FOR THIS FISCAL  
12 YEAR IN THIS FISCAL YEAR. WE CAN HIRE SOME THAT ARE IN THE  
13 PIPELINE. AND THEN WE MAY USE [INAUDIBLE] FOR SOME OF THE  
14 PSYCHIATRY POSITIONS. WE'LL TRY TO RAMP UP AS QUICKLY AS  
15 POSSIBLE. I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE WANT TO RAMP UP AS  
16 QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE IS OUR PORTION OF THE DATA TEAM SO THAT WE  
17 CAN TRACK THE OUTCOMES AND OUR RESPONSIBILITIES WITH D.O.J. AS  
18 QUICKLY AND AS CLEARLY AS POSSIBLE.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I GUESS MY QUESTION GOES TO  
21 OUR INTERIM C.E.O. BUT I'M INTERESTED IN THE OUT YEARS. I  
22 MEAN, OF THIS \$100 MILLION, HOW MUCH IS ONE-TIME MONEY AND HOW  
23 MUCH IS ONGOING? BECAUSE AS I LOOK AT WHAT D.O.J. WANTS US TO  
24 DO, AS I LOOK AT WHAT ROSAS WILL REQUIRE US TO DO, AS I LOOK  
25 AT THE A.D.A. STUFF, IT LOOKS TO ME LIKE A LOT OF IT IS

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1 PERMANENT POSITIONS. MORE PEOPLE, MORE PEOPLE, MORE PEOPLE.  
2 MORE PEOPLE MAKING MORE CHECKS, SELF-CHECKS. AND PROBABLY THE  
3 SAME FOR MENTAL HEALTH, NOT A ONE-TIME EXPENDITURE. SO I DON'T  
4 -- IS THIS \$100 MILLION A YEAR FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES? OR  
5 MORE?

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** WE'LL HAVE TO GET BACK TO YOU ON  
8 THE EXACT NUMBER.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** COULD YOU LEAN CLOSER TO THE MIC?

11

12 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** SURE WE'LL HAVE TO GET BACK TO  
13 YOU ON THE EXACT NUMBER, THE EXACT DOLLAR AMOUNT OF THE  
14 ONGOING FUNDS. BUT A GOOD MAJORITY OF THE MONEY OUT OF THE 100  
15 MILLION WILL BE ONGOING BECAUSE IT'S FUNDING POSITIONS. AND SO  
16 THAT WOULD BE ONGOING FROM THE POINT THAT THE FUNDING, WHICH  
17 HAS BEEN PUT FORWARD IN THE PROPOSED AND THEREAFTER WOULD BE  
18 CONSIDERED PART OF THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET AS WELL AS THE MENTAL  
19 HEALTH BUDGET.

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT WE'RE NOT BUYING ANY OF THOSE HAT CAMERAS THAT  
22 THOSE YOUNG WOMEN INVENTED THAT WE HONORED TODAY, RIGHT?

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WAS PART OF  
25 THE REQUEST.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL:** SOUNDED PRETTY GOOD TO ME.

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I COULD VERIFY THAT.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I CAN SEE A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT ON IT.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** THAT WOULD BE FRIENDLY. BUT I AM CONCERNED BECAUSE  
9 I THINK WE ACTUALLY ARE SIMPLY SITTING BLIND ABOUT WHAT THIS  
10 IS GOING TO MEAN IN THE FUTURE. IT SEEMS LIKE A GREAT DEAL OF  
11 THE ONGOING MONEY IS REALLY FOR CUSTODIAL FUNCTIONS, NOT  
12 REALLY TREATMENT FUNCTIONS, NOT MUCH DIVERSION, ALTHOUGH  
13 THERE'S OTHER MONEY COMING TO US, HOPEFULLY, FOR DIVERSION.  
14 BUT THIS SEEMS LIKE AS APPROPRIATE AS IT IS TO MAINTAIN THE  
15 SAFETY OF THOSE WHOM WE INCARCERATE, I THINK WE HAVE TO HAVE AN  
16 EYES WIDE OPEN APPROACH FOR THE OUT YEARS. I'D LIKE TO SEE AS  
17 MUCH INFORMATION AS YOU CAN ON THAT.

18

19 **ASST. SHERIFF MCDONALD:** YES, MA'AM, WE CAN WORK TOGETHER.  
20 THERE'S SOME TRAINING DOLLARS THAT ARE ONE-TIME DOLLARS, BUT  
21 THE VAST MAJORITY IS STAFFING. YOU KNOW, THESE ARE OLD LINEAR  
22 DESIGNED FACILITIES. ENHANCED SECURITY CHECKS HAS TAKEN A TON  
23 OF STAFF TO MEET THE D.O.J. AND ROSAS REQUIREMENTS. AND MAYBE  
24 EVENTUALLY DOWN THE ROAD WE CAN DESIGN A FACILITY THAT

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1 ACTUALLY SAVES US MONEY IN THE LONG RUN, BUT IN THE INTERIM,  
2 THAT'S REALLY THE BULK OF THE COST.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** THE TRAINING MONEY ISN'T ONE-TIME MONEY? YOU'RE  
5 TRAINING EVERYBODY AND THEN AS NEW PEOPLE COME IN YOU WILL BE  
6 ONLY TRAINING THEM.

7

8 **ASST. SHERIFF MCDONALD:** CORRECT.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** YOU WILL BE ROTATING DEPUTIES FROM THE FIELD INTO  
11 CUSTODY ASSIGNMENTS, RIGHT?

12

13 **ASST. SHERIFF MCDONALD:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR, WHAT I'M ATTEMPTING TO EXPRESS  
16 AND WHAT I'M HEARING IN VARIOUS FORMS FROM THE BALANCE OF THE  
17 BOARD IS A PUSH FOR CLARITY SO THAT ULTIMATELY WE FEEL LIKE  
18 THE INVESTMENT THAT IS BEING MADE WILL COUNT. THAT IS TO SAY  
19 THAT WE CAN SEE APPRECIABLE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AREAS OF  
20 FOCUS, MAINLY, IN THE JAILS, MORE SPECIFICALLY THAT AS IT  
21 RELATES TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE PREVENTION. AND THERE IS  
22 A BIT OF THIS DISCUSSION THAT SEEMS TO BE SOMEWHAT ELUSIVE.  
23 THEREFORE, THE PUSH FOR ALBEIT A POLITE PUSH, ACCOUNTABILITY  
24 DOES MATTER. AND NONE OF US ON THIS DAIS, THIS HORSESHOE, IN  
25 OUR RESPECTIVE ROLES WANT TO BE IN A POSITION FIVE YEARS FROM



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1 NOW WHERE WE CAN'T SAY WE MADE A A NOTICEABLE, VIABLE,  
2 METRICS-DRIVEN, RESULTS-ORIENTED IMPROVEMENT. AND THE  
3 CONVERSATION HAS TO BE INFORMED BY THAT SET OF ISSUES. AND SO  
4 TWO THINGS SEEM TO BE AFOOT HERE. ONE IS D.O.J. COMPLIANCE  
5 ISSUES SPECIFICALLY AS IT RELATES TO ROSAS. BUT IN TANDEM WITH  
6 THAT IS THE MEDICAL SERVICES BRANCH OF THE ORGANIZATION. THEY  
7 ARE DISTINGUISHABLE BUT NOT WHOLLY SEPARABLE. AND WE GET THAT.  
8 BUT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THIS, I THINK SOME OF THE QUESTION HAS  
9 TO BE: SHOULD THE BOARD SHIFT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MENTAL  
10 HEALTH SERVICES TO ANOTHER DEPARTMENT AND WHAT ARE THE  
11 IMPLICATIONS OF THAT AS WE THINK ABOUT THE ALLOCATION OF THESE  
12 RESOURCES? I MEAN, WHERE DO THESE STAFF POSITIONS END UP? DO  
13 WE HAVE A SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE WE HAVE FUNDED STAFFING  
14 POSITIONS IN THE CURRENT ORDER, THE STATUS QUO, LET US CALL  
15 IT. AND THEN WHEN WE FIND OURSELVES MOVING TO THE NEXT  
16 ITERATION, WE HAVE TO CONTEMPLATE FUNDING THOSE POSITIONS. AND  
17 I THINK THERE NEEDS TO BE GREATER SPECIFICITY WITH REGARD TO  
18 WHICH OF THOSE POSITIONS WOULD OR SHOULD SHIFT. AND SO I'M OF  
19 THE STRONG OPINION THAT WE NEED TO GET DOWN TO THAT DISCUSSION  
20 SOONER RATHER THAN LATER. AND THE QUESTION OF THE OFFICE OF  
21 THE C.E.O. IS: WHEN ARE WE TO EXPECT SOME ATTENTION TO BE  
22 TURNED TO THAT MATTER? IT FEELS INCREASINGLY URGENT.

23  
24 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** WITH RESPECT TO THE M.S.B-

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PRECISELY.

2

3    **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** WITH RESPECT TO THE M.S.B.

4    REPORT, I WAS JUST INFORMED THAT THERE IS A BRIEFING LATER

5    THIS WEEK. THE PLAN IS THAT SOMETIME AFTER MAY 8TH THE REPORT

6    WILL ACTUALLY COME BEFORE THIS BOARD FOR FULL DISCUSSION.

7

8    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND IN THAT REGARD, THE QUESTION WOULD BE

9    IS THE C.E.O. CURRENTLY CONTEMPLATING WHICH POSITIONS SHOULD

10    SHIFT, HOW MANY WHAT THE RATIONAL FOR THAT IS, WHAT THE FISCAL

11    IMPACTS ARE. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT ALL OF THIS IS RATHER

12    IMPORTANT. CLEARLY WE NEED TO GET ON WITH IT FOR THE LACK OF A

13    BETTER WAY OF STATING IT. IN LIGHT OF WHAT'S BEFORE US IN ITEM

14    38, BUT I WANT TO MAKE IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT THERE IS A LOT

15    OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS HERE PROGRAMMATICALLY AND FISCALLY. SO

16    I DO NOT WISH IT TO BE THOUGHT AT LEAST FOR MY PARTICIPATION

17    IN THIS PROCESS THAT WE ARE DONE. WE NEED TO HAVE FULL

18    COGNIZANCE THAT WE ARE MIDWAY AT BEST. AND A LOT OF PARTS ARE

19    STILL MOVING. AND SOME OF IT MEANS THAT THE RESPECTIVE

20    DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROCESS, WE NEED TO

21    HAVE A BIT OF CULTURAL INTERVENTION IN TERMS OF HOW THOSE

22    DEPARTMENTS ARE WORKING TOGETHER FOR FISCAL IMPLICATIONS HAVE

23    TO ATTACH TO THAT IN A WAY THAT THE BOARD IS FEELING THAT THE

24    ACCOUNTABILITY METRICS ARE DISCERNIBLE. MR. MAYOR, COLLEAGUES,

25    AT THIS POINT IN TIME, I DO NOT FEEL THAT SUCH IS THE CASE,

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1    THUS THE SERIES OF QUESTIONS. I THINK THERE'S BEEN AN BEEN AN  
2    EARNEST ATTEMPT TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS, NOT SIMPLY FOR  
3    MYSELF BUT THOSE THAT ARE RAISED BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE  
4    BOARD. WE, AGAIN, PUNCTUATE THE POINT HAVE WORK TO DO IN THIS  
5    CRITICALLY IMPORTANT AREA.

6

7    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS. ROBERT  
8    LUCAS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. 1 MINUTE EACH, ERIC PREVEN.  
9    DONNA PEARMAN.

10

11   **ROBERT LUCAS:** THIS IS GOING TO GET KIND OF ENERGETIC BECAUSE  
12   WHAT I JUST HEARD IS KIND OF DISTURBING. I HEARD A LOT OF  
13   SOLUTIONS THAT I'VE NEVER HEARD OF. LET ME GIVE YOU AN IDEA  
14   SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES. THERE'S NO WAY THAT THIS WORK CAN BE  
15   DONE IN JAIL. IT CAN'T BE DONE. I'VE FACILITATED. I'VE BEEN  
16   THERE. IT CAN'T BE DONE. THEY MEDICATE. YOU CAN'T ADDRESS  
17   BEHAVIOR IN THE PROBLEM. YOU CAN'T. IT CAN'T BE DONE. YOU'VE  
18   GOT THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED, THE MENTALLY ILL, YOU'VE GOT  
19   BEHAVIORAL ISSUES. YOU'VE GOT PEOPLE WHO HAVE BOTH. YOU BUT  
20   PUT THEM ALL IN THE SAME ROOM IN A SECURED INSTITUTION, YOU'RE  
21   GOING TO HAVE A PROBLEM. THE ANSWER FOR THE PSYCHIATRISTS IS  
22   TO MEDICATE. IT'S NOT THE ANSWER. YOU SEPARATE ALL OF THESE  
23   INDIVIDUALS AND HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE COMMITTED TO, WILLING TO  
24   TAKE THE RISK TO SIT WITH THEM TO HELP THEM ADDRESS THE

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1 PROBLEMS. I DON'T SEE THAT. AND THAT'S NOT GOING TO BE  
2 ANSWERED BY A PAYCHECK.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. [APPLAUSE.] LET  
5 ME ALSO CALL UP HERMAN HERMAN. YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** LADIES FIRST. YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CHIVALRY DIED.

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** NO, SHE CAN GO AHEAD.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. I AGREE WITH WHAT THAT GUY IS SAYING THAT IT  
14 LOOKS LIKE, YES, YOU'RE GOING TO BE HARD FOR THE DISABLED WHO  
15 ACCIDENTALLY GET PICKED UP FOR SMALL REASON TO BE PUT WITH  
16 HARDENED CRIMINALS WHO MIGHT HAVE SOME MENTAL ILLNESS. AND SO  
17 I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THAT'S ALWAYS AN ANSWER TO PUT THE  
18 DISABLED PEOPLE ALONG WITH THE MENTALLY ILL AND THEN TRY TO  
19 TAKE CARE OF THEIR MENTAL ILLNESS OVER THERE. SO IT DOESN'T  
20 SEEM LIKE A VERY GOOD IDEA. WELL, I DON'T BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN  
21 TAKE CARE OF MENTAL ILLNESS OVER IN THE JAILS BECAUSE THEY'LL  
22 ENCOURAGE -- THE INMATES WILL ENCOURAGE THE OTHER ONES NOT TO  
23 FOLLOW THROUGH ON THIS. AND MEDICATION NEVER WORKS. SO THANK  
24 YOU.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND CHIVALRY NOW  
2    LIVES, BEFORE MR. PREVEN SPEAKS, LET ME ALSO CALL UP MELLO  
3    DESIRE, WAYNE SPINDLER AND ARNOLD SACHS.

4  
5    **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
6    DISTRICT 3. AND I WAS JUST FLIPPING THROUGH THE ROSAS  
7    AGREEMENT, WHICH I NOTICED ON THE AGENDA TODAY, THEY'VE  
8    CHANGED IT FROM ROSAS V. BACA TO ROSAS V. MCDONNELL WHICH I  
9    THINK IS UNFAIR. I THINK THAT THE CURRENT SHERIFF IS NOT  
10    REALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT HAPPENED. HE'S GOING TO BE  
11    RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TURN-AROUND, BUT I DON'T THINK THAT'S  
12    FAIR. I WILL SAY THAT I AM ABSOLUTELY CONFUSED AND BAFFLED BY  
13    HOW WE HAVE ALLOWED THIS PROCESS TO GO THIS WAY. WE HAVE  
14    RICHARD DROOYAN WHO IS YOUR LAWYER WHO IS NOW A ROSAS MONITOR  
15    IN A SURREAL WORLD THAT I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY HOW THAT WORKED  
16    BUT NONETHELESS, HE HAS MADE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT LOOK EXACTLY  
17    LIKE THE CONFUSING C.C.J.V. REPETITION. AND SO NOW WE'RE  
18    HEARING THAT THE FUNDING IS NOT QUITE IN PLACE AND WE WILL  
19    BULK UP ON MORE. IT'S TIME FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY WHO IS  
20    DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB, I'M SURE, WORKING ON HER DIVERSION  
21    PLAN TO STEP FORWARD AND BRING IT INTO THE ROOM. AND IT'S TIME  
22    TO TALK ABOUT THE JURISDICTIONS LIKE MIAMI AND THE OTHER  
23    PLACES WHERE THESE PROGRAMS ARE UP AND RUNNING NOW. WE ARE NO  
24    LONGER INTERESTED IN STEPPING UP THE POTENTIAL ROLLOUT OF ONCE

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1 WE'RE ABLE TO DETERMINE. IT'S ALL TIME TO MOVE FORWARD.

2 PLEASE, SIR. TAKE SOME LEADERSHIP ON THIS. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO ARNOLD SACHS.

5

6 **HERMAN HERMAN.** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE SHERIFF MCDONNELL FOR  
7 BEING PRESENT HERE TODAY TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION OUR REPORT  
8 AND OUR FINDINGS AND ON TOP OF THAT NOTE, I'D LIKE TO SAY TO  
9 THE MADAME SPEAKER WHO WAS HERE, IT'S GOOD TO SEE THAT WE  
10 ALLOW WOMEN TO BE FIRST BEFORE US MEN BECAUSE WE'RE ALL EQUAL.  
11 AND TO APPROVE NECESSARY REFORMS WITHIN THE COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM  
12 IN REGARDS TO MENTALLY DISTURBED, INCOMPETENT, INCOHERENT  
13 PEOPLE, WE HAVE TO GIVE AS A FIRST GENTLEMAN SPOKE ABOUT A  
14 CHANCE, AN OPPORTUNITY TO ANALYZE THE THE SITUATION WITH A  
15 BEHAVIOR PROGRAM THAT SEPARATES CRIMINALS AND SEPARATES THE  
16 MENTALLY ILL BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT ONE ENTITY. THEY CAN BE  
17 ADDRESSED NOT JUST BY DOLLARS AND CENTS AND 77 NEW FULL-TIME  
18 PERMANENT POSITIONS, BUT, RATHER, BY EDUCATION. THANK YOU.

19

20 **>>MELLO DESIRE:** WHILE WE WASTE MORE TIME CONSIDERING MORE  
21 PAYMENT FOR MENTAL HEALTH AFTERWARDS AND JAIL AFTERWARDS, ALL  
22 THIS COMES TOGETHER IN PREVENTATIVE MEASURES. THE KINGDOM  
23 WARS USERS FOUNDATION, WHICH IS A NONPROFIT TO HELP  
24 REHABILITATE THROUGH PERFORMING ARTS GIVE THE MEASURE AND HELP  
25 FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN SUPPRESSED BY SOCIETY THROUGH LACK OF

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1 FUNDING, LACK OF EDUCATION, THROUGH DRUG IMPLEMENTATION AND  
2 MORE FUNDING WITH JAILS RATHER THAN PREVENTATIVE MEASURES. ALL  
3 WE NEED IS A STUDIO. WE NEED AN EMPTY SPACE. WE NEED A COUPLE  
4 OF PEOPLE WHO CARE. AND THEN YOU'LL SEE THE CHANGES IN HOW  
5 REDUCTION INCARCERATION HAPPENS. SO RATHER THAN SNATCHING UP  
6 OUR PEOPLE OUT ON THE STREET WHO YOU MAY FEEL MAY BE A DANGER  
7 TO SOCIETY, HOW ABOUT YOU GIVE THEM A SANDWICH? HOW ABOUT YOU  
8 GIVE THEM A HUG? HOW ABOUT YOU GIVE THEM OPPORTUNITY OTHER  
9 THAN JUST JAIL, IRON BARS AND PILLS TO POP? JUST A SUGGESTION.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] MR. SPINDLER?

12

13 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** WELL SAID. WE FORGET THE COMPASSION ELEMENT.  
14 BUT, WOW, SHEILA KUEHL MAKING A GOOD POINT ON THE TRAINING  
15 MONEY GETS EATEN UP AND THEN THESE PEOPLE GET ROTATED. AND  
16 THEN RIDLEY-THOMAS USES THAT BIG VOCABULARY. SOMETIMES YOU  
17 JUST CAN'T UNDERSTAND HIM WITH THOSE \$90 WORDS. BUT HE WANTS  
18 CLARITY. WHAT ARE THESE 77 NEW FULL-TIME PERMANENT POSITIONS  
19 REALLY GOING TO GO TO IN TERMS OF THE RESULT OF REDUCING THE  
20 AMOUNT OF THE MENTALLY ILL IN THE JAIL SYSTEM? AND ALSO SHOULD  
21 THIS WHOLE THING BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER DEPARTMENT? OR  
22 SHOULD POLICE -- SHOULD THE SHERIFF BE ALLOWED TO BEAT AND  
23 THEN DRUG THE SUSPECT AND CALL THEM THE 5150? GOOD QUESTION.  
24 THANK YOU.

25



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1    **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. AND I, TOO, FISCAL  
2    REALITIES, OH, WOW. FIRST OF ALL WE HEARD SOME DISCUSSION  
3    REGARDING THE BUDGET, MENTAL HEALTH REQUESTING 16 MILLION AND  
4    GETTING 9.6 MILLION, BIG DEAL MADE ABOUT THAT. WHAT WAS THE  
5    SHERIFF'S REQUEST? BECAUSE THEY GOT 103 MILLION. WAS BASED ON  
6    THE PERCENTAGE WHAT MENTAL HEALTH GOT, THEY GOT 62 PERCENT,  
7    LITTLE OVER 62 PERCENT OF WHAT THEY REQUESTED. DID THE SHERIFF  
8    REQUEST ABOUT THE SAME 62 PERCENT? HE DIDN'T GET A PERCENTAGE  
9    OF WHAT THEY REQUESTED VERSUS WHAT THEY ACTUALLY GOT. FISCAL  
10   REALITIES? LAST WEEK YOU TALKED ABOUT THE BUDGET, THE UNFUNDED  
11   MANDATE OF \$38 BILLION. YOU MENTIONED THAT YOU'RE MAKING A  
12   \$450 MILLION PAYMENT. AT THAT RATE IT WOULD TAKE YOU 60 YEARS  
13   TO PAY OFF THAT \$38 BILLION MANDATE. THAT'S INCREASINGLY  
14   URGENT. SOMEBODY MENTIONED THE HAT CAMERAS. HAVE YOU LOOKED AT  
15   THE LIABILITY OF PAYOUTS?

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE MOTION ON THE TABLE,  
18   SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

19

20   **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** MR. MAYOR, ACTUALLY WHAT I WOULD  
21   LIKE TO DO WITH THIS MOTION IS TO HAVE IT BIFURCATED TODAY AND  
22   MOVE THE SHERIFF'S PIECE OF IT, THE 2 MILLION, THE LITTLE OVER  
23   2 MILLION. AND ASK FOR THE PORTION OF THE MENTAL HEALTH PIECE  
24   BE REFERRED BACK. I THINK THAT WE NEED TO PIN DOWN A NUMBER  
25   FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH SIDE AND BRING THAT BACK TO THE BOARD.

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1 BUT I'D LIKE TO MOVE FORWARD TO THE SHERIFF'S PIECE TODAY IF  
2 WE CAN AND THEN AGAIN RETURN TO THE BOARD WITH THE MENTAL  
3 HEALTH PIECE. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND THE SENTIMENT OF  
6 THE C.E.O. IN THAT REGARD AND I INTERPRET THAT AS AN ASTUTE  
7 READING OF THE BOARD'S CONCERNS ABOUT WHETHER THIS IS PINNED  
8 DOWN PROPERLY. SO I RESPECT THAT INTERVENTION AND WOULD BE  
9 PREPARED TO SUGGEST THAT WE MOVE ACCORDINGLY. I DO WANT TO ADD  
10 THIS PROVISIO, THAT IF WE EXPECT TO HAVE GOOD OUTCOMES IN TERMS  
11 OF MENTAL HEALTH IN THE JAILS, IT WILL NOT BE BECAUSE WE'VE  
12 BEEFED UP THE SHERIFF'S COMPONENT OF THIS. IT WILL BE BECAUSE  
13 MENTAL HEALTH STEPS UP AND DOES WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE FROM A  
14 CLINICAL PERSPECTIVE. EVERYONE HAS TO BRING TO BEAR THEIR BEST  
15 SKILL SET. AND WHERE WE ARE LACKING IS WE HAVE THE WROTE  
16 UNQUOTE WRONG PEOPLE ON FIRST BASE. WE NEED TO GET THOSE WHO  
17 ARE CLINICALLY COMPETENT, PROPERLY POSITIONED TO HELP US HOLD  
18 OUR HEADS UP HIGH WITH RESPECT TO DOING RIGHT BY THOSE INMATES  
19 AND NOT ONLY THE INMATES BUT THOSE WHO WORK IN THE JAILS.  
20 THAT'S WHAT HAS TO HAPPEN. SO I THINK THE QUESTIONS THAT HAVE  
21 BEEN RAISED HERE TODAY HAVE BEEN HELPFUL. THEY HAVE BEEN  
22 ILLUMINATING, MR. MAYOR. THE RECOMMENDATION TO BIFURCATE AND  
23 ULTIMATELY REFER BACK TO THE MENTAL HEALTH PORTION OF THIS FOR  
24 PURPOSES OF LOOKING OUT AND GETTING MORE ACCOUNTABILITY WOULD  
25 BE ACCEPTABLE TO ME. I WOULD SIMPLY ASK THAT WE SPECIFY WHEN

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1 THIS COMES BACK TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION SO THAT WE CAN  
2 DISPOSE OF IT ACCORDINGLY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WANT TO KNOW WHEN IT WOULD COME BACK,  
7 HOLD ON JUST A MOMENT, PLEASE.

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I'M HOPING WE COULD TURN THIS  
10 AROUND WITHIN A WEEK.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT.

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I GUESS MY CONCERN IS THAT, YOU  
15 KNOW, ORIGINALLY IT WAS INDICATED THAT THIS MONEY WAS NEEDED  
16 SO THAT MENTAL HEALTH CAN START THE HIRING PROCESS BEFORE THE  
17 END OF THE FISCAL YEAR, WHICH I BELIEVE THAT THERE'S A  
18 COMPONENT IN THE \$760,000. MY CONCERN IS RIGHT NOW WITH THE  
19 STATEMENT BY DR. SOUTHARD THAT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT HE CAN  
20 ACTUALLY DO ALL OF THE RECRUITMENT BY THE END OF THE FISCAL  
21 YEAR. I THINK THAT WE NEED TO GO BACK AND CLARIFY WITH THE  
22 DEPARTMENT AND ENSURE THAT THE MONEY THAT'S PUT FORTH BEFORE  
23 THIS BOARD WILL BE SPENT BY THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR. WE'LL  
24 CERTAINLY WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT ON THIS MATTER.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

2

3    **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY, IF I  
4    MAY, WITH MY COLLEAGUE, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND THE  
5    C.E.O. WHEN WE FIRST SAW THIS MOTION, IT WAS ONLY ABOUT THE  
6    SHERIFF'S MONEY. AND THERE WAS AN INSISTENCE WHICH I STRONGLY  
7    SUPPORTED THAT THERE BE SOME INFORMATION AND PLANNING ABOUT  
8    WHAT WE WERE GOING TO SEE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL  
9    HEALTH. SO THEY CAME BACK WITH THIS PROPOSAL, WHICH WAS WHAT  
10   WE WERE CONSIDERING TODAY. BUT THE C.E.O. HAS JUST SAID THAT  
11   BECAUSE OF THESE QUESTIONS AND THE PRESENTATION, THAT WE WILL  
12   RETURN TO OUR ORIGINAL MOTION, REALLY, WHAT IT WAS, 2 MILLION  
13   FOR THE SHERIFF TO GET STARTED ON THESE ISSUES BUT WAIT A WEEK  
14   FOR A REVISED PLAN? WHAT DO WE EXPECT?

15

16   **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** FROM MENTAL HEALTH. I THINK THAT  
17   OUR DEPARTMENT, ALONG WITH THE SHERIFF AND MENTAL HEALTH, WE  
18   NEED TO SIT DOWN AND ENSURE THAT WHAT MENTAL HEALTH IS PUTTING  
19   FORWARD CAN AND WILL BE UTILIZED BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR  
20   BEFORE WE MAKE THAT FINAL RECOMMENDATION. IT WAS MY  
21   UNDERSTANDING COMING INTO THIS MEETING THAT THAT MONEY  
22   ALLOCATED TODAY AND PUT FORTH BEFORE THIS BOARD WOULD ACTUALLY  
23   BE SPENT. I THINK I HEARD SOME OTHER COMMENTS THAT HAVE  
24   CONCERNS FOR ME. SO I'D LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE FULLY VET  
25   THIS. AND WE WILL BRING THIS BACK TO YOUR BOARD.

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1

2 **SUP. KUEHL:** SO IT'S AN AGENDA ITEM FOR NEXT WEEK TO UNDERSTAND  
3 BETTER ABOUT THE ULTIMATELY UTILIZATION FOR THE PLAN FOR  
4 MENTAL HEALTH STAMPING AND WORK IN THE JAIL.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** SO INSTEAD OF REFERRING BACK,  
7 MAYBE WE COULD JUST CONTINUE THAT PORTION OF THE MENTAL HEALTH  
8 ITEM, WHICH WOULD BE FINE, AS WELL.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. I THINK THE OBJECTIVE IS TO MAKE SURE  
11 THAT WE FULLY EMBRACE THAT WHICH IS COMING FORTH. AND THE  
12 C.E.O. NEEDS TO BE IN THE BEST POSSIBLE POSITION TO FEEL  
13 COMFORTABLE ABOUT THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE COMING FROM  
14 BOTH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL  
15 HEALTH. THERE SEEMS TO BE MORE READINESS IN TERMS OF THE  
16 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAN THERE IS FROM MENTAL HEALTH AT THIS  
17 POINT. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOUR CONCERNS ARE SPOT ON IN TERMS OF  
18 WHAT THE HOPE HAD BEEN WITH THE TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE. PART OF  
19 IT HAS BEEN SATISFIED; THE OTHER PART SEEMS TO BE IN NEED OF  
20 FURTHER CLARIFICATION.

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL THERE'S AN ADDITIONAL THING. AND I THINK  
23 MAYBE ASSISTANT SHERIFF MCDONALD AND OUR DIRECTOR OF MENTAL  
24 HEALTH CAN HELP ME WITH THIS. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE  
25 SEEN OVER THE YEARS, IN MY CASE AS AN OBSERVER AND NOW HERE IS

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1 AN INABILITY TO TRULY FOCUS ON THE INTERPLAY BETWEEN AND AMONG  
2 THOSE DEPARTMENTS PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE SAME PEOPLE AND IN  
3 THIS CASE, OF COURSE, IN THE SAME SETTING. AND I'LL REFER TO  
4 CUSTODIAL SERVICES AS SERVICES, AS WELL. I GUESS ONE OF THE  
5 THINGS THAT MAY BE GOOD TO KNOW THEN AS WE LOOK AT THE PLAN  
6 FOR THE PROVISION OF THE SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF  
7 MENTAL HEALTH, IS WHAT IS THE INTERPLAY, AS WELL, BETWEEN THE  
8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH FOR  
9 THESE VERY SAME PEOPLE? BECAUSE MONEY IS GOING FOR CERTAIN  
10 THINGS. WE'RE CHECKING CELLS MORE OFTEN, SUICIDE WATCH. SOME  
11 OF IT IS ACTUALLY PHYSICAL WITHIN THE JAIL. HOW DOES THAT  
12 INTERFACE WITH THE SERVICES THAT ARE THOUGHT TO BE PROVIDED?  
13 I'M NOT ASKING NECESSARILY NOW FOR THE ANSWER, ALTHOUGH I  
14 SUPPOSE MAKING A START ON IT ISN'T BAD. BUT I THINK WHEN WE  
15 HEAR NEXT WEEK ABOUT, AGAIN, THE ACTUAL PLAN FROM THE  
16 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, IF IT MAY BE VERY USEFUL TO ME TO  
17 UNDERSTAND HOW DOES THAT DOVETAIL, IF IT DOES, WITH THE PLANS  
18 MADE BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE JAIL ITSELF? COULD  
19 WE HAVE MICS ON THE FRONT HERE?

20

21 **ASST. SHERIFF MCDONALD:** A GOOD EXAMPLE I CAN GIVE ON THE  
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS D.M.H. HAS GOTTEN FUNDING LAST YEAR  
23 FOR ADDITIONAL J-MET CLINICIANS, CLINICIANS THAT WALK THROUGH  
24 THE JAIL TO CHECK ON INMATES. WE DIDN'T GET FUNDING. SO OUR  
25 REQUEST WAS TO PARTNER A DEPUTY WITH THE J-MET CLINICIAN TO DO

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1 THAT. NOW IF DR. SOUTHARD ASKED FOR MORE J-MET CLINICIANS,  
2 THEN WE HAVE TO COME IN PARTNERSHIP AND SAY WHO'S GOING TO  
3 ESCORT THEM? DR. SOUTHARD HAD MENTIONED THAT WE'VE DONE A  
4 BETTER JOB OF GETTING STAFF TO DO REFERRALS OF MENTAL HEALTH  
5 OF PEOPLE WHO APPEAR TO BE MAYBE DESPONDENT OR DEPRESSED. MARV  
6 IS GOING TO HAVE TO INTERPLAY WITH THAT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER  
7 OF CLINICIANS. THIS IS GOING TO BE A CONSTANT KIND OF BACK AND  
8 FORTH AS WE EVOLVE AND GET BETTER AT WHAT WE'RE DOING. IF WE  
9 ADD MORE CUSTODY STAFF TO DO OUT-OF-CELL TIME, DR. SOUTHARD  
10 WILL HAVE TO ADD CLINICIANS. AND CONVERSELY IF DR. SOUTHARD  
11 ADDS CLINICIANS, WE HAVE TO ADD CUSTODY PERSONNEL. ON THE  
12 LARGER DIALOGUE ABOUT WHAT'S THE BEST INMATE-PATIENT  
13 RELATIONSHIP FOR MEDICAL, MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE?  
14 WE'VE ALL BEEN WORKING SHOULDER TO SHOULDER, AND DR. GHALY CAN  
15 TALK ABOUT THAT, BUT WE'RE TAKING THAT ON IN TANDEM WITH THIS  
16 LARGER DISCUSSION. I THINK EVERYONE WOULD ALSO SAY D.M.H.  
17 NEEDS EVERY DOLLAR PLUS WHAT THEY'RE ASKING FOR IRRESPECTIVE  
18 OF WHAT AGENCY THEY REPORT TO. THEY REALLY DON'T HAVE ENOUGH  
19 CLINICIANS TO PROVIDE THE LEVEL OF CARE WE NEED TO PROVIDE. I  
20 WILL PASS IT OVER TO THE DOCTORS.

21

22 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SO, SUPERVISOR, THE PLAN THAT YOU SEE BEFORE  
23 YOU WAS DEVELOPED IN TANDEM WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO  
24 THEY'RE COMPLIMENTARY IN THIS PARTICULAR ASK. SO, FOR EXAMPLE,  
25 THERE'S A DATA TEAM TO ANALYZE WHAT WE NEED TO DO, THAT DATA



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1 TEAM CAN'T JUST BE SWORN PERSONNEL, THEY NEED TO BE MENTAL  
2 HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH EXPERTISE. SO BOTH OF US ASKED FOR  
3 FUNDING FOR THAT IN THIS PLAN THAT'S BEFORE YOU. AND WITH  
4 REGARD TO THE EXPENDITURES IN THIS FISCAL YEAR, I WAS  
5 ATTEMPTING TO BE REALISTIC WITH THE QUESTIONS THAT SUPERVISOR  
6 KNABE ASKED ME ABOUT HOW MUCH OF THAT 700,000 THAT WE WOULD BE  
7 ABLE TO HIRE AND MERELY I WAS TRYING TO INDICATE THAT THE  
8 PROBABILITY GIVEN THE REALITIES OF OUR HIRING SITUATION IS WE  
9 WOULDN'T SPEND IT ALL. WHICH COULD DO AN ANALYSIS OF EXACTLY  
10 HOW MUCH BUT IT WILL BE A GUESS BECAUSE SOMEBODY MAY NOT  
11 ACCEPT THE JOB OFFER EVEN THOUGH THE JOB IS OFFERED. THE  
12 CHANGE SHOULD NOT BE SUBSTANTIAL, HOWEVER,

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** MY QUESTION IS SIMPLY I THINK WOULD BE BETTER  
15 ANSWERED PERHAPS NEXT WEEK WHEN WE SEE WHAT IT IS. I VERY MUCH  
16 APPRECIATE THE ANSWER. I SIMPLY AM WANTING TO INDICATE THAT  
17 ONE OF MY CONCERNS WILL ALWAYS BE IF WE DO FUNDING FOR THIS,  
18 AND FUNDING FOR THAT FOR THE SAME POPULATION, HOW IS THIS  
19 WORKING TOGETHER TO HELP BOTH WITH SAFETY OF OUR PERSONNEL AND  
20 SAFETY OF THOSE UNDER OUR CARE AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY?

21

22 **CHRISTINA GHALY:** I'M CHRISTINA GHALY, THE DIRECTOR OF  
23 HEALTHCARE INTEGRATION FOR THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AND I THINK  
24 THE POINT THAT YOU RAISE IS AN IMPORTANT ONE. CERTAINLY THERE  
25 COULD BE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PROVIDED NEXT WEEK BUT THIS

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1 SUBJECT IS ALSO THE MAIN FOCUS OF THE BOARD LETTER THAT WAS  
2 REFERRED TO A FEW MINUTES AGO THAT WILL COME TO YOUR BOARD ON  
3 OR AROUND MAY 8TH. I THINK THE STEPS THAT THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE  
4 TAKEN ARE INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TO INCREASE COLLABORATION AND  
5 MAKE SURE THAT THE STEPS ARE COORDINATED AND WELL ALIGNED,  
6 HOWEVER THAT SAID I THINK THE RIGHT QUESTION IS WHETHER OR NOT  
7 THAT'S THE BEST THAT WE CAN DO, TO TRY TO PROVIDE A SET OF  
8 COORDINATED AND INTEGRATED SERVICES TO WHAT IS INDEED A COMMON  
9 POPULATION AND A SINGLE PERSON OR SINGLE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE  
10 RIGHT NOW RECEIVING SERVICES FROM FOUR DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS.  
11 AND SO THAT'S THE SUBJECT OF THIS BOARD LETTER THAT WILL BE  
12 COMING ON OR AFTER MAY 8TH, AND IT WILL INCLUDE SOME  
13 RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT WHAT MIGHT BE A MORE OPTIMAL STRUCTURE  
14 FOR THOSE SERVICES.

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** SPECIFICALLY IN THE JAIL?

17

18 **CHRISTINA GHALY:** YES.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO AGAIN MR. MAYOR I THINK THERE'S WISDOM  
21 IN THE RECOMMENDATION MADE BY THE INTERIM C.E.O. AND I WILL  
22 ACCEPT THAT IN THE ITEM AS AMENDED.

23

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-  
2    THOMAS. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.  
3    THANK YOU.

4

5    **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU.

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7    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, MR. SPINDLER, CS-1, CS-2, CS-3,  
8    CS-4. HERMAN HERMAN CS-1, CS-2, CS-4. ONE MINUTE.

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10   **WAYNE SPINDLER:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR COMPLYING WITH  
11   THE BROWN ACT. A LOT OF TIMES THESE KIND OF MATTERS THAT WILL  
12   GO INTO CLOSED SESSION, THEY FORGET THAT PUBLIC COMMENT IS  
13   ALLOWED. I APPRECIATE THAT. THERE'S A LOT OF STUFF HERE. BUT  
14   ESSENTIALLY YOUR UNIONS WILL WANT MORE MONEY. THERE'S  
15   SIGNIFICANT LITIGATION THAT'S GOING TO COST THE COUNTY A LOT  
16   OF MONEY. BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS BECAUSE IT'S STILL A  
17   SECRET. SO IN CONCLUSION, IT'S -- I REALLY WISH THAT THIS PART  
18   OF THE MEETING COULD BE ATTENDED BY THE PUBLIC. I BET SOME OF  
19   THIS STUFF'S JUST GOT TO BE GREAT TO LISTEN TO. ALL THE  
20   BEATINGS THAT GO ON IN THE JAILS. ALL THE BACK STABBING THAT  
21   GOES ON ALL THE BROKEN NEGOTIATIONS. I'D LIKE TO SIT IN ON  
22   THAT. I KNOW YOU WON'T LET ME BUT I JUST HOPE YOU HAVE FUN IN  
23   THE CLOSED SESSION TODAY. THANK YOU.

24

25   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HERMAN HERMAN?

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2 **HERMAN HERMAN:** WELL I'M NOT GOING TO GO IN THE ORDER OF THIS  
3 PRESENTATION, BUT AS WE SEE THAT MOST UNIONS HERE, LIKE THE  
4 EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE  
5 COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS, DENTISTS GUIDE, PROFESSIONAL  
6 PHARMACISTS, PEACE OFFICER COUNCIL, PUBLIC DEFENDERS,  
7 INVESTIGATION'S ASSOCIATION, DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, ALL  
8 THE GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS OF 54957.6 FOR CONFERENCE WITH  
9 LABOR NEGOTIATIONS, UNIONISM WITHOUT DUE PROCESS  
10 REPRESENTATION FOR THE TRUE ACTION THAT WE SHOULDN'T SUPPRESS  
11 OURSELVES TO COMMUNISM OF THOSE WHO BASICALLY UTILIZE THEIR  
12 KNOWLEDGE OF UNIONISM NOT TO REPRESENT THE BEST ONE HERE,  
13 S.E.I.U. LOCAL UNION S.E.I.U. I CAN RELATE TO THAT. AND I KEEP  
14 MY TIME TO THIS ONE TOPIC. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS?  
17 SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE  
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GOOD FRIEND, MR. BOB WINNINGHAM. BOB  
21 PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF  
22 DOWNEY. HE'S A FORMER COUNCILMEMBER AND MAYOR. HE WAS A LOCAL  
23 BUSINESS OWNER. VERY ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. SERVING AS A  
24 BOARD MEMBER OF THE DOWNEY FAMILY Y.M.C.A., OPTIMIST CLUB AND  
25 PAST PRESIDENT OF THE NORTHWEST DOWNEY LITTLE LEAGUE. FORMER

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1 COMMISSIONER FOR THE DOWNEY RECREATION, PARKS SERVICES, VERY  
2 INVOLVED IN NUMEROUS ACTIVITIES FROM THE MERCHANT'S COMMITTEE  
3 TO TRANSIT CENTER TO THE WATER COALITION. THE NASA SITE  
4 REDEVELOPMENT. PAST VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE INDEPENDENT CITIES  
5 ASSOCIATION. HE WAS AN AMAZING MAN, COMMUNITY MEMBER, AND A  
6 MENTOR TO MANY YOUNG FOLKS THERE IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY. WILL  
7 BE MISSED BY HIS FAMILY, FRIENDS AND ALL WHO KNEW HIM. ALSO  
8 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GARY LEE HONENBERGER WHO PASSED  
9 AWAY RECENTLY. HE WAS A LONGTIME TORRANCE RESIDENT. WORKED FOR  
10 THE OLD GTE COMPANY, LATER AT PAC-BELL. HE HAD GREAT FAMILY  
11 AND LOVE FOR GOLF AND APPRECIATION FOR THOSE WHO SERVED IN THE  
12 MILITARY. HE IS SURVIVED BY WIFE PENNY. DAUGHTERS KIM, NICOLE  
13 AND STEP- DAUGHTERS AS WELL AS 12 GRANDCHILDREN AND 3 GREAT-  
14 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. NUMEROUS NIECES, NEPHEWS AND COUSINS. HE  
15 WILL BE TRULY MISSED. THEN FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY  
16 OF AARON TAKESHI YANAGISAWA, WHO'S THE SON OF THE FIRE  
17 CAPTAIN, ALBERT, WHO PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY ON APRIL 14TH AT  
18 THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF 14. SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, ALBERT AND  
19 SHERRY, OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO CAPTAIN YANAKISAWA  
20 AND HIS FAMILY DURING THIS VERY DIFFICULT TIME.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
23 BUT ALL MEMBERS, JAYNE MEADOWS WHO PASSED AWAY. BEST KNOWN FOR  
24 HER 46-YEAR ROLE AS STEVE ALLEN'S WIFE. BORN IN CHINA TO  
25 MISSIONARY PARENTS, SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. SHE

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1 APPEARED ON BROADWAY AND IN MANY MOTION PICTURES, WON THREE  
2 EMMY NOMINEES FOR TV ACTING, WAS THE HIGHEST-RATED ACTRESS ON  
3 CBS, SECOND ONLY TO LUCILLE BALL. SHE IS SURVIVED BY OUR GOOD  
4 FRIEND BILL AND HER THREE GRANDCHILDREN.

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL:** MR. MAYOR, COULD I ADD ON TO THAT?

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SURE.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** SHE LIVED IN ENCINO. AND NOT ONLY WAS SHE AND  
11 STEVE ALLEN THE PARENTS OF OUR GOOD FRIEND BILL ALLEN, BUT SHE  
12 HAD A VERY INTERESTING STORY BECAUSE SHE ACTUALLY WANTED TO BE  
13 MORE OF A SERIOUS ACTRESS. AND JUST BECAUSE IT WAS TIME FOR  
14 EARNING A DOLLAR OR TWO, SHE ACCEPTED THE SORT OF GAME SHOW OR  
15 PANEL SHOW FORMAT WHICH OF COURSE MADE HER FAMOUS. AND SHE WAS  
16 A WONDERFUL WOMAN. I HAD MET HER AND HER HUSBAND, STEVE ALLEN,  
17 A COUPLE OF TIMES. AND I THINK SHE'LL BE REALLY MISSED.  
18 ALTHOUGH LIVING INTO HER 90S, SHE NEVER QUITE ADMITTED HER AGE  
19 UNTIL SHE TURNED 90. AND THEN SHE SAID SHE THOUGHT IT WAS  
20 "QUITE AN ACCOMPLISHMENT" AND REVEALED ON THAT DAY THAT SHE  
21 WAS 90. SO WE'RE ALL GOING TO FOLLOW IN HER FOOTSTEPS. THANK  
22 YOU.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DOROTHY ALICE FULLER EVANS, LONG- TIME  
25 RESIDENT, PASADENA. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. SHE HAD

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1 RECEIVED TWO MASTER'S DEGREES SHE'S EARNED AND A PH.D. FROM  
2 FULLER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY. SPENT THOUSANDS OF HOURS  
3 VOLUNTEERING AT HUNTINGTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. HER ACTIVE  
4 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS SHE WAS INVOLVED WITH INCLUDED THE  
5 PASADENA REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S FEDERATED, THE FINE ARTS CLUB OF  
6 PASADENA, PASADENA OPERA GUILD AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER FOUR  
7 CHILDREN AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. ADA MARIE CLARKE WATSON,  
8 LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF SAN MARINO, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF  
9 88. SHE WAS A SUCCESSFUL REALTOR WITH THE WILLIAM WILSON  
10 COMPANY. FOUNDED THE VOLUNTEER LEAGUE OF THE SAN FERNANDO  
11 VALLEY. ACTIVE WITH THE LOS ANGELES AND PASADENA JUNIOR  
12 LEAGUES, CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AND THE HUNTINGTON LIBRARY.  
13 SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE GREAT  
14 GRANDCHILD. MARY ANN HERI GAY, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE SANTA  
15 CLARITA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 96. SHE WORKED AT HENRY  
16 MAYO AND NEWHALL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AS AN OPERATING ROOM NURSE  
17 FOR OVER 50 YEARS, SERVED AS THE OPERATING ROOM SUPERVISOR.  
18 ACTIVE MEMBER OF GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH WHERE SHE REMAINED AN  
19 ACTIVE MEMBER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER AND THREE  
20 CHILDREN. COMMISSIONER JOHN GRIGGS, HE WAS MY FORMER APPOINTEE  
21 WHO SERVED ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON H.I.V. FROM  
22 2003-2005. PASSED AWAY. HE PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN PROMOTING  
23 H.I.V. EDUCATION AWARENESS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY ALONG WITH  
24 HOPE FOUNDATION. HE CREATED THE FIRST FAITH-BASED INITIATIVES  
25 WITH CHURCHES TO HELP PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR THE ANTELOPE



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1 VALLEY. AND HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE VANESSA. HILDA EMILIE  
2 GURNEY. LONG TIME PILOT, CLOSE FRIEND WITH AVIATION ICON  
3 CHARLES LINDBERG PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 98. SHE WAS A  
4 FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE WOODLAND HILLS REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S  
5 CLUB, CHARTER MEMBER OF ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH IN WOODLAND  
6 HILLS AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER TWO CHILDREN AND OVER A DOZEN  
7 GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. DR.RONGXIANG XU,  
8 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MEBO INTERNATIONAL  
9 GROUP, PASSED AWAY APRIL 14TH. HE WAS ONE OF THE WORLD'S  
10 LEADING LIFE SCIENTISTS AND THE INVENTOR OF THE MOIST EXPOSED  
11 BURN THERAPY AND MEBO BURN OINTMENT. HE DEVODED HIS LIFE TO  
12 EXPLORING THE HUMAN BODY REGENERATIVE RESTORATION. HE'S  
13 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND SON. MILDRED "MILLIE" TERRANOVA,  
14 LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF  
15 95. SHE WORKED IN THE MEDICAL SUPPLY INDUSTRY FOR WARNER-  
16 LAMBERT CORPORATION AND VOLUNTEERED AT THE SANTA CLARITA  
17 VALLEY SENIOR CENTER. SURVIVED BY HER SON JIM. DANA LYNN  
18 (DELMATOFF) COP, LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY  
19 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 43. SHE SPENT 20 YEARS AT A.T.&T. AS  
20 DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS RECENTLY. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN  
21 THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE Y.M.C.A., THE BOYS' AND GIRLS'  
22 CLUB. AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND CHILDREN. BOB  
23 BREWER, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LANCASTER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE  
24 OF 80. HE WAS PRESIDENT, PAST PRESIDENT OF THE GREATER  
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. MEMBER OF THE ELKS

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1 AND MOOSE LODGES. ACTIVE ON THE RURAL OLYMPICS COMMITTEE.  
2 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND HIS SONS AND GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT  
3 GRANDCHILDREN. RONALD DANIELS, FORMER ARTISTIC DIRECTOR OF THE  
4 PERFORMING ARTS SOCIETY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 69. HE  
5 SERVED 34 YEARS IN OUR COUNTY'S LOS ANGELES PROBATION  
6 DEPARTMENT. HE WAS AN ACCOMPLISHED PLAYWRIGHT, ACTOR AND  
7 DIRECTOR. DEPUTY LLOYD HEFLLEY, RETIRED DEPUTY, SHERIFF'S  
8 DEPARTMENT. JOINED THE DEPARTMENT IN 1967. RETIRED FROM SYBIL  
9 BRAND IN 1992 AND SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. RETIRED  
10 COMMANDER CHARLES PADIAS WITH THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.  
11 SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS. HE JOINED THE  
12 DEPARTMENT IN '58 AND RETIRED IN 1992. REGINALD TOMBLIN, JR.  
13 RETIRED DEPUTY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,  
14 JOINED THE DEPARTMENT IN '56 AND RETIRED IN 1979 AND WAS A  
15 VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE. SANDRA WATERS RETIRED  
16 SENIOR CLERK OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
17 PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 21ST. SHE HAD RETIRED FROM THE INMATE  
18 RECEPTION CENTER IN 1977 AND TODAY WE TAKE A MOMENT TO  
19 REMEMBER DEPUTY DAVID MARCH WHO WAS 33 YEARS OLD WHEN HE WAS  
20 ASSASSINATED IN IRWINDALE 13 YEARS AGO, APRIL 29TH. DAVID  
21 MARCH SERVED WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
22 FOR SEVEN YEARS WITH THE TEMPLE CITY STATION. AND HE HAS A  
23 MEMORIAL POSTED ON THE FREEWAYS THAT YOU WILL SEE. SECONDED BY  
24 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR  
25 SOLIS?

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2   **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY  
3   IN MEMORY OF KYLE ROBERT ROBLES WHO WAS BORN ON APRIL 20, 1967  
4   IN MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA. HE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 12, 2015.  
5   HE WAS JUST SHY OF 48 YEARS OF AGE. GRADUATED FROM CALIFORNIA  
6   STATE UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES AND WORKED WITH U.P.S. HE WAS A  
7   MEMBER OF THE ST. DOROTHY CHURCH IN GLENDORA, VOLUNTEERED FOR  
8   THE UNITED WAY, SMILE TRAIN AND CITY OF HOPE. HE COACHED  
9   LITTLE LEAGUE AND LOVED TO MENTOR YOUNG BOYS IN BASEBALL.  
10   HE'LL BE REMEMBERED BY HIS LOVING HUSBAND, FATHER AND HIS  
11   FOREVER GIVING HEART. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, IS CECELIA,  
12   DAUGHTER MELISSA, HIS FATHER, EARL, HIS BROTHER GUY AND HOST  
13   OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. I  
14   ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF DAVID ANTHONY  
15   GRIJALVA , JR. WHO WAS BORN MAY 24, 1948 IN LOS ANGELES,  
16   CALIFORNIA, PASSED AWAY APRIL 21ST, 2015 AT THE AGE OF 66.  
17   GRADUATED FROM CANTWELL HIGH SCHOOL. RECEIVED HIS A.A. FROM  
18   EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE TRANSFERRED TO CAL STATE LOS ANGELES  
19   WHERE HE EARNED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN COMPUTER INFORMATION  
20   SYSTEMS. HE WORKED AS A COMPUTER TECHNICIAN AT LOS ANGELES AIR  
21   FORCE BASE IN EL SEGUNDO BUT HIS FINAL 15 YEARS OF EMPLOYMENT  
22   WERE AT THE ADULT EDUCATION SCHOOL L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL  
23   DISTRICT. HE RETIRED FROM TEACHING IN 2014. SURVIVED BY HIS  
24   TWO SISTERS, ADRIAN AND CECELIA AND A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS  
25   AS WELL AS GRAND NIECES AND NEPHEWS. HE'LL BE REMEMBERED

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1 DEARLY. LASTLY, MEMBERS, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO CALL YOUR  
2 ATTENTION TO A TRAGIC ACCIDENT EVENT THAT OCCURRED IN SOUTH EL  
3 MONTE THIS PAST WEEKEND WHERE THREE INDIVIDUALS WERE BURNED TO  
4 DEATH. AND I WANT TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE FIREFIGHTERS WHO  
5 SUSTAINED SOME BURNS TRYING TO SAVE ONE OF THE YOUNGSTERS THAT  
6 UNFORTUNATELY HE WAS NOT ABLE TO SALVAGE HIS LIFE, BUT I DO  
7 WANT TO THANK OUR FIREFIGHTERS IN AND THAT PARTICULAR  
8 FIREFIGHTER FOR STANDING UP AND DOING WHAT MANY OF US COULD  
9 NEVER DO AND THAT IS RUN INTO A FIRE. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUPERVISOR  
12 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, WOULD YOU JOIN  
15 ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF EDGAS JACKSON GRAY, BORN IN  
16 PALESTINE, TEXAS APRIL 29, 1937, PASSED ON APRIL 10 OF THIS  
17 YEAR AT THE AGE OF 77. IT WAS IN 1955 AFTER GRADUATING FROM  
18 HIGH SCHOOL HE JOINED THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AND WAS  
19 HONORABLY DISCHARGED AFTER FOUR YEARS. AND THEN IN 1959, HE  
20 RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES AND CONTINUED TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF  
21 THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE RESERVE UNTIL 1963. HE EARNED A  
22 BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AT CAL STATE  
23 UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES WHILE WORKING WITH THE UNITED STATES  
24 POSTAL SERVICE. AND FROM THERE HE RETIRED AS A SUPERVISOR  
25 AFTER SOME 31 YEARS. HIS PASSION FOR EDUCATING THE YOUTH

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1 MOTIVATED HIM INTO A SECOND CAREER AS A TEACHER OF COMPUTER  
2 SCIENCE AT THE CRENSHAW HIGH SCHOOL WHERE HE TAUGHT FOR A FULL  
3 DECADE. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE RENAISSANCE RUNNERS AND DOLLARS  
4 FOR SCHOLARS. IN ADDITION TO RUNNING, HE LOVED COOKING AND  
5 GARDENING. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS STRENGTH, HIS  
6 KINDNESS AND HIS GENEROSITY. MR. GRAY IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,  
7 ZELMA OF 48 YEARS AND A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, FAMILY AND  
8 FRIENDS WHO WILL MOST ASSUREDLY MISS HIM. AND THEN THERE'S DR.  
9 MARSHAL T. MORGAN, BORN ON NOVEMBER THE 30TH 1941 IN HAMILTON,  
10 OHIO, AND PASSED ON APRIL 16TH OF THIS YEAR AT THE AGE OF 73.  
11 1963 HE GRADUATED PHI BETA KAPPA FROM PRINCETON UNIVERSITY AND  
12 RECEIVED HIS DOCTOR OF MEDICINE DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF  
13 CHICAGO IN 1968 WHERE HE WAS ELECTED TO THE ALPHA OMEGA ALPHA  
14 HONOR SOCIETY. HE WAS IN 1974 BEGAN HIS CAREER AT THE  
15 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES WHERE HE WAS ONE OF THE  
16 FOUNDING CODIRECTORS OF THE U.C.L.A. EMERGENCY MEDICINE  
17 CENTER. 1977 HE BECAME THE DIRECTOR OF THE SANTA MONICA  
18 HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WHERE HE HELPED ESTABLISH THE  
19 SANTA MONICA RAPE TREATMENT CENTER. IT WAS IN 1981 WHEN HE  
20 RETURNED TO U.C.L.A. AS THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE.  
21 AND UNDER DR. MORGAN'S DIRECTION, THE U.C.L.A. EMERGENCY  
22 MEDICINE CENTER BECAME ONE OF THE PREEMINENT EMERGENCY  
23 MEDICINE PROGRAMS IN THE UNITED STATES. DURING DR. MORGAN'S  
24 TENURE, THE EMERGENCY MEDICINE CENTER FACULTY ESTABLISHED FOUR  
25 CENTERS, INCLUDING U.C.L.A. CENTER FOR DISASTERS IN PUBLIC

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1 HEALTH, THE U.C.L.A .CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL MEDICINE, THE  
2 U.C.L.A. CENTER FOR PREHOSPITAL CARE AND THE U.C.L.A. STROKE  
3 CENTER. IT WAS IN 2007 THAT DR. MORGAN RECEIVED THE SHERMAN M.  
4 MELENCOUGH FACULTY AWARD, WHICH IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE  
5 HIGHEST HONOR OF THE DAVID GEFFEN SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AT  
6 U.C.L.A. HE WAS A MEMBER OF SEVERAL COUNCILS AND PANELS,  
7 INCLUDING THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF  
8 DELEGATES AND HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE L.A. COUNTY  
9 MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS LOVE FOR  
10 THE PATIENT. HE WAS A LEADER, A SCHOLAR, A TEACHER, AN  
11 INNOVATOR, AND EXCELLENT CLINICIAN. DR. MORGAN IS SURVIVED BY  
12 HIS WIFE, NAE-MARIE, HIS CHILDREN MARSHAL, JR., COURTNEY,  
13 CHERYL, TERRANCE AND JOHN, 10 GRANDCHILDREN, TWO GREAT  
14 GRANDCHILDREN AND MANY FRIENDS, MANY PATIENTS, MANY MEMBERS OF  
15 THE MEDICAL COMMUNITY WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. LADIES AND  
16 GENTLEMEN, THAT'S DR. MARSHAL T. MORGAN. I TAKE NOTE OF THE  
17 FACT THAT MY COLLEAGUE, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, WISHES TO JOIN ME IN  
18 ADJOURNING IN HIS MEMORY. DR. LEVI WATSON, JR., BORN JUNE 13,  
19 1944 IN THE GREAT STATE OF KANSAS AND PASSED AWAY ON APRIL THE  
20 11TH AT THE AGE OF 70. HE GREW UP IN ALABAMA AND WAS A MEMBER  
21 OF THE DEXTER AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH WHERE THE REVEREND DR.  
22 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PASTORED. DR. WATKINS LATER BECAME HIS  
23 DRIVER. DR. WATSON WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN TO GRADUATE  
24 FROM VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY IN NASHVILLE WITH A MEDICAL DEGREE  
25 AND IN 1971 AFTER GRADUATING, HE BEGAN HIS RESIDENCY AT JOHN

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1 HOPKINS HOSPITAL IN BALTIMORE WHERE HE BECAME THE FIRST  
2 AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHIEF RESIDENT OF CARDIAC SURGERY. IN 1980,  
3 HE ACHIEVED WORLDWIDE AN CLAIM AS THE FIRST SURGEON TO  
4 SUCCESSFULLY IMPLANT A HEART DEFIBRILLATOR IN A HUMAN PATIENT.  
5 IN 1991, HE WAS PROMOTED TO FULL PROFESSOR OF CARDIAC SURGERY  
6 AND ASSOCIATE DEAN OF THE HOPKINS MEDICAL SCHOOL, RETIRING IN  
7 2013. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A PIONEER FOR HIS WORK IN CIVIL  
8 RIGHTS AND IN CARDIAC SURGERY AND FOR HIS ADVOCACY AND  
9 MENTORSHIP TO MANY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHERS, DONALD  
10 SENIOR, AND JAMES, A SISTER DORIS DEAN, MANY FAMILY MEMBERS  
11 AND FRIENDS, FELLOW CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS AND ADVOCATES,  
12 PATIENTS WHO WILL NEVER, EVER FORGET DR. LEVI WATKINS, JR. AND  
13 THEN, MR. MAYOR, I WISH TO CALL TO THE ATTENTION OF THE BOARD  
14 THERE IS A MATTER OF WHICH I SUSPECT WE ARE ALL AWARE AND  
15 WOULD LIKE TO GET SOME FEEDBACK FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE  
16 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AS WELL AS COUNTY COUNSEL  
17 PERTAINING TO SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT HAVE COME TO OUR  
18 ATTENTION REGARDING LABOR PEACE AT OUR PORT. MANY OF THE  
19 COMPANIES THAT ARE INVOLVED IN TRUCKING, A NUMBER OF THEM  
20 HEADQUARTERED OR HAVING DISPATCH FACILITIES IN THE SECOND  
21 DISTRICT, THERE'S AN ALLEGATION ABOUT THEM MISCLASSIFYING  
22 THEIR DRIVERS AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS IN AN EFFORT TO AVOID  
23 COMPLIANCE WITH GENERALLY APPLICABLE EMPLOYMENT-RELATED LAWS  
24 WHICH INCLUDES MEAL AND REST BREAKS, OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND  
25 HEALTH. THE PORT TRUCK DRIVERS IN LOS ANGELES ARE CHALLENGING



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1 THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THIS PRACTICE IS ILLEGAL IN TERMS OF  
2 MISCLASSIFICATION, A LOT OF IT HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION.  
3 THERE IS NO DENYING THE FACT THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE PORT IS  
4 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO US IN TERMS OF THE ECONOMIC BOOM THAT  
5 IT REPRESENTS TO THE REGION. THE NUMBERS RANGE AS HIGH AS AN  
6 ESTIMATED \$1 TRILLION WORTH OF CARGO ANNUALLY. AND SO WITH  
7 YOUR CONSIDERATION OF REPORT BACK FROM THE APPROPRIATE  
8 ENTITIES, THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS WHO HANDLES  
9 BUSINESS MATTERS, AS WELL, PURSUANT TO OUR RECENT ACTION TO  
10 CAUSE HIM TO DO SO AS WELL AS COUNTY COUNSEL TO EXPLORE THE  
11 ISSUE THAT IS BEING BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION SO THAT WE MIGHT  
12 DEEM IT APPROPRIATE TO LEND OUR VOICES TO HELPING CLARIFY THIS  
13 AS OBVIOUSLY WE ARE CONCERNED AND IMPACTED. I WOULD BE GLAD TO  
14 CAUSE THAT TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION NEXT  
15 WEEK, MR. MAYOR, IF IT IS NOT DEEMED APPROPRIATE TO HAVE A  
16 REPORT BACK THAT INFORMS IT AT THIS POINT IN TIME. YOUR  
17 PLEASURE. OKAY. THANK YOU. REPORT BACK ON IT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND FOR THE ADJOURNMENTS, AS WELL.  
20 SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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22 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN  
23 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TOM TAPLIN. LONGTIME RESIDENT  
24 OF SANTA MONICA. PHOTOGRAPHER, FILMMAKER WHO DIED TRAGICALLY  
25 AT THE AGE OF 61 IN THE AVALANCHE TRIGGERED ON MOUNT EVEREST

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1 BY THE RECENT NEPAL EARTHQUAKE. HE WAS SHOOTING A DOCUMENTARY  
2 FOR NEARLY A MONTH AROUND THE BASE CAMP THERE AND PERISHED  
3 ALONG WITH AT LEAST 17 OTHER KNOWN VICTIMS. HE WAS KNOWN AS AN  
4 AVID MOUNTAINEER WHO HAD PUBLISHED A BOOK ON SCALING MOUNT  
5 ACONCAGUA IN ARGENTINA, WHICH IS THE TALLEST PEAK IN SOUTH  
6 AMERICA. HE WAS ALSO KNOWN AS AN ARDENT CONSERVATIONIST WHO'S  
7 FILMED AND PUBLISHED WORK WHILE OFFERING GRIPPING ADVENTURE  
8 ALSO CARRIED STRONG MESSAGE ABOUT PROTECTING AND RESPECTING  
9 THE ENVIRONMENT. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND MUCH BELOVED  
10 PARTNER OF 27 YEARS CORY FREYER, A BROTHER JONATHAN AND OTHER  
11 FAMILY MEMBERS AND MANY FRIENDS. AND, MR. MAYOR AND  
12 COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
13 MEMORY OF WALLACE ALBERTSON. RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT IN  
14 WEST HOLLYWOOD, LIFETIME POLITICAL ACTIVIST, RECENTLY PASSED  
15 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. BORN WALLACE THOMPSON IN PITTSBURGH,  
16 GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, WENT ON TO EARN  
17 HER MASTER'S IN JOURNALISM FROM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. LANDING A  
18 JOB AT N.B.C. WRITING FOR RADIO AND THE NEW MEDIUM OF  
19 TELEVISION, SHE TURNED DOWN A SCREEN TEST TO CONCENTRATE ON  
20 HER WRITING. FELL IN LOVE AND MARRIED THE ACTOR JACK  
21 ALBERTSON. MOVED WITH HIM TO L.A. AS HIS CAREER BEGAN TO TAKE  
22 OFF. TOGETHER SHE AND HER MOTHER MARGOT ESTABLISHED AN IMPORT  
23 FIRM AND SHE BECAME ACTIVE IN THE BURGEONING CIVIL RIGHTS  
24 MOVEMENT. IN 1960 SHE COFOUNDED THE WOMEN'S STRIKE FOR PEACE  
25 AND BECAME AN EARLY CHAMPION OF L.G.B.T. RIGHTS. SHE WENT ON

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1 TO EARN HER SECOND MASTER'S FROM U.C.L.A., PURSUED A DOCTORATE  
2 IN SPEECH AND COMMUNICATIONS. SHE WON ELECTION TO THE LOS  
3 ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WHERE SHE SERVED  
4 FOR 12 YEARS, WAS APPOINTED TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
5 BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND SERVED FOR EIGHT YEARS. AT THE AMERICAN  
6 FILM INSTITUTE, SHE EARNED HER THIRD ADVANCED DEGREE IN M.F.A.  
7 AS A PRODUCER. SHE WAS A TRUSTEE OF THE VINCENT PRICE ART  
8 MUSEUM AND THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF DRAMATIC ART AND SHE WAS ON  
9 THE AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS. SHE  
10 EXEMPLIFIED A LIFE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND ACTIVE IDEALISM  
11 AND WAS AN ONGOING INSPIRATION TO ALL WHO KNEW HER. SHE'S  
12 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, MAURA DHU STUDI, A GRANDSON KHOLAN,  
13 A BROTHER, WILLIAM THOMSON AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. HER  
14 HUSBAND JACK PREDECEASED HER IN 1981. AND, FINALLY, MR. MAYOR  
15 AND COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN  
16 IN MEMORY OF DON MANKIEWICZ A NOVELIST AND OSCAR NOMINATED  
17 SCREEN WRITER WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. WHILE  
18 HE WASN'T EXACTLY BORN IN A TRUNK, HE WAS BORN INTO THE  
19 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, WHICH WAS LITERALLY THE FAMILY  
20 BUSINESS. HIS FATHER WAS THE SCREEN WRITER HERMAN MANKIEWICZ  
21 WHO COLLABORATED WITH ORSON WELLES ON "CITIZEN KANE". HIS  
22 UNCLE JOE WAS A WRITER- DIRECTOR WHOSE FILMS INCLUDED "ALL  
23 ABOUT EVE", "GUYS AND DOLLS", "SUDDENLY LAST SUMMER", "THE  
24 QUIET AMERICAN", "CLEOPATRA" AND "SLEUTH" AMONG MANY, MANY  
25 OTHERS. DON WAS ACTUALLY BORN IN BERLIN WHERE HIS FATHER

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1 HERMAN WAS A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT IN THE 1920S BEFORE  
2 PURSUING HIS WRITING CAREER IN HOLLYWOOD. DON WAS SCHOOLED IN  
3 BEVERLY HILLS, GRADUATED FROM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN 1942,  
4 SOON AFTER HE JOINED THE ARMY AND SERVED IN MILITARY  
5 INTELLIGENCE IN FRANCE, BELGIUM AND GERMANY. AFTER THE WAR, HE  
6 BECAME A STAFF WRITER FOR THE NEW YORKER. PUBLISHED A NOVEL.  
7 BEGAN WRITING FOR TELEVISION. HE BECAME ACTIVE IN DEMOCRATIC  
8 PARTY POLITICS AND WAS A LONG TIME LEADER IN THE WRITER'S  
9 GUILD OF AMERICA. HE REMAINED A PROLIFIC TV WRITER WELL INTO  
10 THE 1990S, WROTE THE PILOT EPISODES AND HELPED CREATE THE  
11 POPULAR SERIES "IRON- SIDE" AND "MARCUS WELBY, M.D." HE ALSO  
12 CONTINUED WRITING NOVELS AND HAD JUST COMPLETED A NEW ONE  
13 SHORTLY BEFORE HIS DEATH. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 43  
14 YEARS, CAROL, THEIR SON JOHN AND DAUGHTER JANE, TWO CHILDREN  
15 FROM A PREVIOUS MARRIAGE, JEN DIAZ AND SANDY PEREZ, AND FOUR  
16 GRANDCHILDREN. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
19 WE NOW HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. TOM PATTI. FRAN SERESERES WHO WILL  
20 BE SPEAKING FROM LANCASTER. TOM PATTI. LEONARD ROSE. JOSE  
21 MARTINEZ. ROBERT LUCAS. AND WE'LL GO TO LANCASTER AT THIS  
22 TIME. FRAN, ARE YOU THERE?

23

24 **FRAN SERESERES:** YES, I'M HERE. GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR  
25 ANTONOVICH, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS FRAN SERESERES.

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1 FIRST OF ALL, MAYOR, I'M THINKING BACK WHO WOULD HAVE KNOWN IN  
2 1972 THAT MR. NIVER FROM NIVER'S DEPARTMENT STORE IN HIGHLAND  
3 PARK WHO INTRODUCED US THAT I'D BE HERE TALKING TO YOU AGAIN  
4 AFTER 40 SOME ODD YEARS. I OWNED PLASTICS AT THAT TIME AND  
5 MAYBE YOU REMEMBER MY BROTHER-IN-LAW RALPH WHO HAD RALPH'S  
6 BURRITO'S. ANYWAY. IT'S JUST A LITTLE INSIGHT THERE. I DID  
7 WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO YOU AND TO YOUR SENIOR DEPUTY NORMAN  
8 HICKLEY AND STAFF FOR ALL WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO HELP THE  
9 PROGRESS OF BUILDING THE SENIOR CENTER IN LANCASTER. I WANT TO  
10 EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION AND ON BEHALF OF ALL THE SENIORS IN  
11 LANCASTER, AND AT THIS TIME I UNDERSTAND IT'S GETTING CLOSER  
12 IN THAT IT'S GOING TO BE GOING INTO A VOTE BETWEEN THE  
13 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND THE SENIOR SERVICES ON  
14 THAT GRASSY AREA, SOMETHING IN THAT MANNER. AND I'M HOPING  
15 THAT YOU CAN HELP AND GIVE A POSITIVE ACTION ON OUR BEHALF.  
16 AND THANK YOU AGAIN.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN. SEE  
19 YOU IN ANOTHER 47 YEARS, HOW'S THAT?

20

21 **FRAN SERESERES:** OKAY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. BYE-BYE. OKAY. YES, SIR.

24

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1   **TOM PATTI:** I HAVE A QUESTION. I TRAVELED 345 MILES TO GET HERE  
2   TODAY AND 345 MILES TO GO HOME. COULD I GET A COUPLE MINUTES,  
3   PLEASE?

4

5   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I KNOW YOU'RE TALKING ON AN ISSUE  
6   THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO THE STATE, BUT I WILL MAKE AN  
7   EXCEPTION. HE'S TALKING ON THE WATER ISSUE.

8

9   **TOM PATTI:** THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND  
10   SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TOM PATTI AND I'M A RESIDENT AND  
11   CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR IN THE THIRD DISTRICT OF SAN JOAQUIN.  
12   I COME HERE TO DISCUSS WATER. IT'S AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. I'M  
13   GOING THE CUT THIS SHORT. BACK HOME THE DELTA IS ONE OF THE  
14   LARGEST REMAINING WETLAND AREAS ON THE PACIFIC COAST PROVIDING  
15   A GATEWAY TO MIGRATORY BIRDS AND FISH. THE DELTA IS HOME TO  
16   OVER 500 SPECIES OF WILDLIFE 20 OF WHICH ARE ENDANGERED. IT IS  
17   A FACT THAT THE DELTA TUNNELS AS PROPOSED BY GOVERNOR BROWN  
18   WOULD IRREVOCABLY DAMAGE THE DELTA AND I CONTEND THAT OTHER  
19   MORE VIABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR A SUSTAINED WATER SUPPLY TO  
20   SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COULD BE COMPLETED QUICKER AND AT LESS  
21   EXPENSE. AS A BUSINESSMAN, I STAND FOR SOLUTIONS TO ANY  
22   SITUATION. TODAY THIS INFLUENTIAL BODY, BOARD, SHOULD  
23   SERIOUSLY CONSIDER MULTIFACETED PLAN OF ACTION TO FULLY  
24   UTILIZE TECHNOLOGIES AND BUILD A SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY  
25   INFRASTRUCTURE THAT INCLUDES WATER STORAGE, RECLAMATION,

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1 CAPTURING STORM WATER, DESALINATION AND PERHAPS SPEAR HEADING  
2 A NATIONAL WATER DISTRIBUTION NETWORK SIMILAR TO HOW WE SHARE  
3 ELECTRICITY. DID YOU KNOW THAT IF WE INCREASED THE LAKE SHASTA  
4 CAPACITY BY 100-FOOT AS IT'S DESIGNED TO DO, WE WOULD ALSO  
5 INCREASE NEARLY 4 MILLION-ACRE FEET OF WATER SUPPLY THAT WOULD  
6 SOLVE OUR WATER PROBLEMS FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA? HOWEVER,  
7 ENVIRONMENTALISTS BLOCK EVERY POSSIBLE SOLUTION AND  
8 POLITICIANS STEER CLEAR. AS I MENTIONED DESALINATION, CARLSBAD  
9 IS OPENING THEIR THE BRAND NEW DESAL PLANT PRODUCING 50  
10 MILLION GALLONS OF FRESH WATER PER DAY AT AN EXPENSE OF ONLY  
11 \$5 PER HOUSEHOLD. WHY IS THAT NOT HERE? IT'S AFFORDABLE. IN  
12 CLOSING, I WILL STATE THAT NOW AND IN THE FUTURE, THE  
13 NECESSITY FOR SUSTAINABLE WATER WILL CONTINUE AS WILL MY STAND  
14 WITH OTHERS AS WE UNITE AGAINST THE IRRESPONSIBLE THREAT TO  
15 OUR LIFE, OUR FUTURE AND OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE. THERE ARE  
16 BETTER ALTERNATIVES TO PROVIDING WATER TO THE RESIDENTS OF LOS  
17 ANGELES COUNTY THAN AT THE EXPENSE OF PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THE  
18 SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY. THE ENTIRE STATE SHALL NOT PERISH TO THE  
19 BENEFIT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP  
22 SHACKELFORD, IRENE PANG. I DON'T KNOW IF SHACK IS STILL HERE.  
23 IRENE IS HERE. JAVIER GROSSE. MR. ROSE?

24



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1    **LEONARD ROSE:** YES, MY NAME IS MR. ROSE. I HERE TO TALK ABOUT  
2    FOX 11 NEWS AT 10:00 LAST SUNDAY NIGHT SAN DIEGO COUNTY HAVE  
3    WATER PUMP TO RECYCLE WATER TO THE OCEAN WATERS OUT AT SEA.  
4    AND WE WENT TO CITY, ALL THE CITY HALL AND THE COUNTY AND  
5    GOVERNOR JERRY BROWN TO RECYCLE WATER AND TOO MANY WATER GOING  
6    TO WASTE AT MOUNTAIN EVERY TIME IT SNOW CLIMATE CHANGE GLOBAL  
7    WARMING. AND WE WANT CITIES AND PEOPLE GET INVOLVED TO RECYCLE  
8    WATER BEST IT CAN AND ONLY I GET THE CHEAPER WATER BILL  
9    BECAUSE I TAKE FIVE MINUTES SHOWER AND WASH DISHES, YOU KNOW,  
10   1 OR 2 MINUTES. AND WE NEED TO GET PEOPLE TO WRITE TO JERRY  
11   BROWN HOW TO SAVE WATER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

12

13   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ANN  
14   BRADLEY, FRANCISCO MARTINRS.

15

16   **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON ONCE AGAIN. I DIDN'T KNOW SAN  
17   JOAQUIN WAS THAT FAR AWAY. I MISSED THAT, I DON'T KNOW. THE  
18   THING ABOUT IT IS IS LIFE IS EXTREMELY GOOD. AND I WANT TO  
19   THANK MAYOR ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE AND MR. ADEL. I HAVEN'T GOT TO  
20   SPEAK TO HIM PERSONALLY. I TRIED TO CHASE HIM DOWN TODAY, BUT  
21   HE WAS VERY EVASIVE. IT'S OKAY, TYPICAL POLITICIAN. THE THING  
22   ABOUT IT IS ALL THE WORK AND SOME OF THE INTERACTION THAT I  
23   HEAR FROM EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU IS JUST REMARKABLE. IT  
24   TRULY MAKES ME FEEL GOOD. AND ONE OF THE ADJOURNMENTS YOU GUYS  
25   WILL APPRECIATE, "YOU GUYS ARE THE GREATEST!" REMEMBER THAT?

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1 STEVE ALLEN'S WIFE? JAYNE MEADOWS? I GREW UP WITH THAT. JUST  
2 REMARKABLE. THE THING ABOUT IT IS IS I COME UP HERE BECAUSE  
3 THE HONESTY AND INTEGRITY THAT COMES WHEN YOU'RE QUESTIONING  
4 PEOPLE, I CAN ONLY STRIVE TO GET THERE. YOU GUYS HAVE A  
5 WONDERFUL DAY.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. LET ME ALSO CALL  
8 UP JOSE ORPEZA. AND MARILYN NORMAN. YES, IRENE.

9

10 **IRENE PANG:** EXCUSE ME, MAY I HAVE THREE MINUTES?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MAYO. MAYO.

13

14 **IRENE PANG:** I CONCERN. IT IS IMPORTANT NEARBY THE TOWER SYSTEM  
15 IN EL MONTE ALL RELATE TO THE WORLD WHO ARE FAVORED TO U.S.  
16 NATION AND EXCELLENCE. I UNDERSTAND THAT SINCE YEARS, U.S.  
17 NATION HAVE BEEN UNDER ATTACK IN DIFFERENT WAYS. THE NATION  
18 GOVERNMENT CENTER -- FOR THE POSITION TO INTERNAL REACH IN  
19 THREE DIFFERENT TIMES LAST YEAR AND BEGIN THIS YEAR. AND GET  
20 GOOD LAW BY PUBLIC BY HER GOOD WORKING MANNER AND WORKING  
21 HARD. WHERE THE SITUATION SAME HAPPEN TO WILLIE PANG. HOWEVER  
22 THE COUNTY --

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** XIEXIE, MISS PANG, MAYO. XIEXIE. LET  
25 ME ALSO CALL UP ARMANDO PERRAZ.. YES, MA'AM.

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO HAS  
3 BANNED PLASTIC WATER BOTTLES ALONG WITH OUR NATIONAL PARKS.  
4 THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO SEEKS TO ELIMINATE ITS LANDFILL  
5 WASTE BY 2020. I AM APPLAUDING AS A FIRST DISTRICT CONSTITUENT  
6 THE FACT THAT WE CELEBRATE EARTH DAY. BUT THERE'S SOMETHING  
7 VERY TRAGIC THAT WE ARE CELEBRATING EARTH DAY BY EXAMPLES OF  
8 CLEANUPS. I'M THE INLAND CLEANUP COORDINATOR IN SILVER LAKE  
9 FOR THE HEAL THE BAY AND HAVE BEEN 10 YEARS. BUT AS A 43-YEAR  
10 RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES KNOWING HOW MUCH YOU AND  
11 THE OTHER BOARD MEMBERS LOVE THIS REGION, LOVE THIS COUNTY AND  
12 LOVE THIS PLANET, WE'RE LOOKING AT A BACK-END REACTION INSTEAD  
13 OF A FRONT-END SOLUTION. WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT A  
14 COUNTY-WIDE BAN ON SINGLE-USE ITEMS, BUT WE CAN ON THE EIGHTH  
15 FLOOR. WE CAN ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR. SO LET'S MODEL ZERO WASTE.  
16 YOU KNOW I'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THIS. PLEASE. LET'S MODEL IT.  
17 NO MORE PLASTICS IN THIS BODY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MICHELLE MIRANDA. JONATHAN  
20 BUTLER. YES, SIR.

21

22 **FRANCISCO MARTINEZ:** MY NAME IS FRANCISCO MARTINEZ. [INAUDIBLE]  
23 COALITION. I'M HERE TO TALK ABOUT WE NEED MORE YOUTH BUILD  
24 LIKE COMMUNITY CENTERS FOR YOUTH. [INAUDIBLE] BEHIND ME I HAVE  
25 A BUNCH OF YOUTH. TALKING ABOUT WE NEED MORE YOUTH BUILDS OUT

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1    THERE. LA FOR YOUTH. WE NEED LIKE 500 PEACE BUILDERS. 25,000  
2    YOUTH SUMMER JOBS AND 50 YOUTH COMMUNITY CENTERS THAT WOULD BE  
3    HELPFUL TO YOUTH LIKE ME THAT I LIKE GOING THERE BECAUSE IT  
4    HELPS ME GET MY EDUCATION, NOT REGULAR SCHOOL BECAUSE IT HELPS  
5    YOU TO ACCOMPLISH YOUR GOALS. THEY PROVIDE TRADE TOOLS LIKE  
6    CONSTRUCTION, CULINARY ARTS AND MANY OTHER THINGS. I'M JUST  
7    HERE TO SAY THEY NEED TO ENDORSE THIS L.A. FOR YOUTH CAMPAIGN  
8    WE NEED MORE THAN 50 YOUTH CENTERS. LIKE YOU BUILD LIKE THE  
9    ONE IN INGLEWOOD, THE ONE IN COMPTON, THE ONE IN NORWALK, THE  
10    ONE IN CANOGA PARK. ONES LIKE THAT HELP THE YOUTH IN THE  
11    STREETS HELP THEM GET OFF THE STREETS AND ACCOMPLISH THEIR  
12    GOALS AND GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL. THANK YOU.

13

14    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP KRUTI PAREKH AND  
15    ERIC PREVEN. AND ALAJAE JENKINS. YES, SIR.

16

17    **JOSE OROPEZA:** HI, MY NAME IS JOSE OROPEZA, I'M COMING FROM LA  
18    CASA YOUTH BUILD AND COMING FROM ME I EXPERIENCED TRADITIONAL  
19    HIGH SCHOOLS HAVE FAILED TO A CERTAIN EXTENT. AND I FEEL IF WE  
20    HAVE MORE YOUTH BUILD THERE WILL ALSO BE MORE GRADUATES. IF  
21    CALIFORNIA HAS A LOT OF GRADUATES, THEN THAT MEANS THAT THERE  
22    WILL BE MORE SUCCESS. SO IF YOUTH BUILDS WOULD BE MORE SPREAD  
23    AROUND, THERE WOULD BE LESS GANG VIOLENCE, THERE WOULD BE LESS  
24    ALCOHOL ABUSE, LESS DRUG ABUSE, THERE WOULD BE MORE COMMUNITY  
25    SERVICES OUT THERE LIKE HOW HE SAID. THERE IS EARTH DAY. WHAT

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1 ABOUT YOUTH BUILD DAY? WE CAME ALL THE WAY OUT HERE JUST TO  
2 THE SHOW THAT WE'RE HERE. WE WANT TO HAVE THE RESPECT WHERE WE  
3 COULD BE LIKE WE'RE NOT JUST HOODLUMS OUT ON THE STREETS  
4 ANYMORE. WE'RE CHANGING OUR LIVES. WE'RE THINKING ABOUT  
5 COLLEGES, COMMUNITIES, WE'RE THINKING ABOUT OTHERS, NOT JUST  
6 OURSELVES. AND WE DO HAVE FAMILIES THAT WE NEED TO TAKE CARE  
7 OF.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME ALSO  
10 CALL UP CHRISTOPHER MARTINEZ. SUPERVISOR SOLIS? YOUR  
11 MICROPHONE.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** I REALLY WANT TO THANK THE YOUTH BUILD STUDENTS  
14 AND PARTICIPANTS. THERE WAS WELL OVER 200 THAT WERE OUTSIDE  
15 TODAY. I KNOW THEY CAME FROM DIFFERENT PARTS OF SOUTHERN  
16 CALIFORNIA. AND IT'S A GOOD PROGRAM THAT HELPS YOU PROVIDE  
17 RECIDIVISM AND GET YOUNG PEOPLE TO THINK TWICE ABOUT THEIR  
18 EDUCATION, ABOUT CAREERS, APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS AND ALL THE  
19 GOOD THINGS THAT CAN HELP LEAD THEM TO A BETTER COURSE IN  
20 LIFE. SO I WANT TO APPLAUD THEM. THIS IS THEIR WEEK. AND THEIR  
21 VOICES HAVE BEEN HEARD NOT JUST HERE IN THE COUNTY BUT I KNOW  
22 OVER THE YEARS THEY VISITED THEIR CONGRESS PEOPLE IN  
23 WASHINGTON, D.C. AS WELL AS THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WHEN I WAS  
24 THERE AS SECRETARY. SO THANK YOU AND WE APPLAUD THE YOUNG  
25 PEOPLE THAT ARE HERE. THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP CHRISTOPHER  
3 MARTINEZ. SANJAY STONEY. CARLOS GARCIA. NADINE HIJAR. JESSICA  
4 GARCIA? EVELYN JIMINEZ? YES, MA'AM.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WAS JUST GOING TO  
7 TELL FOLKS THAT DIDN'T KNOW YOUTH BUILD U.S.A. CELEBRATED ITS  
8 DAY TODAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE HAD OVER 10 SITES THAT  
9 CAME TOGETHER ANYWHERE FROM 200 TO 400 PEOPLE. AND I KNOW THAT  
10 THERE WERE SEVERAL PEOPLE THAT WANTED TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY  
11 BUT UNFORTUNATELY THE BUSES WERE LEAVING. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH  
12 FOR CELEBRATING YOUTH BUILD DAY WITH US. FOR ANYBODY THAT'S  
13 INTERESTED, THAT'S WWW.YOUTHBUILD.ORG. AND IT REALLY TAKES  
14 UNEMPLOYED OUT OF SCHOOL YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16  
15 TO 24 TO RECLAIM EDUCATION, GAIN SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT. SINCE  
16 '94, 130,000 YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE PARTICIPATED LOCALLY AND  
17 GLOBALLY. AND IT'S INTERESTING THAT THE SHERIFFS WERE HERE  
18 TALKING ABOUT THEIR BUDGET. AND I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THAT  
19 JAILS UNFORTUNATELY ARE INCUBATORS OF VIOLENCE AND MENTAL  
20 DETERIORATION. WHEN YOUTH BUILD PROGRAMS ARE MENTAL HEALTH  
21 HAVENS. SO I THINK IN TERMS OF REDIRECTING OUR DOLLARS WE  
22 SHOULD CONSIDER THAT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SALVADOR ESPINOSA?  
25 SALVADOR? YES, SIR.

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1

2 **SANJAY STOREY:** MY NAME IS SANJAY STOREY. GOOD AFTERNOON. TODAY  
3 IS NATIONAL YOUTH BUILD DAY. MARK RIDLEY'S IN OUR DISTRICT, AS  
4 WELL. I WANT TO APPRECIATE YOU, AS WELL. MY EXPERIENCE AT  
5 YOUTH BUILD HAVE HELPED ME GAIN LEADERSHIP SKILLS, LEARN  
6 CONSTRUCTION, THE COMMUNITY WORKING FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY.  
7 SO GIVE BACK AND SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY. BUT AFTER THIS, I BE  
8 GRADUATING, GO TO COLLEGE, EL CAMINO SO I CAN LEARN MORE ABOUT  
9 CONSTRUCTION AND STUFF FROM THE ARCHITECHT. YEAH, I JUST WANT  
10 YOU GUYS SUPPORT TO HELP US, LEADERS, HELP YOUTH BUILD IN  
11 GENERAL SO TO GET MORE HELP AND SUPPORT NEEDED. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. DAVID FLORES?  
14 DAVID FLORES? OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

15

16 **JESSICA GARCIA:** HI. THANK YOU, FIRST OF ALL FOR SEEING US AND  
17 LISTENING TO US. MY NAME IS JESSICA GARCIA, I'M COMING IF THE  
18 CITY OF LENNOX. I'M 21 YEARS OLD AND SENIOR AT C.C.O. YOUTH  
19 BUILD. I CAME TO TALK TO YOU GUYS TO ASK FOR MORE FUNDING. I  
20 RECENTLY IN FEBRUARY WAS IN SACRAMENTO ALONG WITH OTHER YOUTH  
21 BUILD ASKING OUR LEGISLATORS TO PROVIDE MORE FUNDING FOR YOUTH  
22 BUILDS. YES, WE DO GET SUPPORTED BY THE GOVERNMENT, BUT WE DO  
23 NEED MORE FUNDING. YOUTH BUILD REALLY DOES WORK. AND AS YOU  
24 CAN SEE, WE'RE HERE AND WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR A WHILE JUST TO  
25 SPEAK TO YOU GUYS. AND WE WANT YOU GUYS TO SEE, YOU KNOW, WHAT



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1 AN IMPACT YOUTH BUILD HAS BEEN DOING BECAUSE TRADITIONAL  
2 SCHOOLS FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER DIDN'T WORK FOR US. I WAS  
3 ALSO IN WASHINGTON, D.C. IN MARCH. ALSO YOUTH BUILDS FROM ALL  
4 OVER THE COUNTRY WENT TO D.C. TO GO AND SPEAK TO OUR  
5 LEGISLATORS TO CONTINUE GROWING YOUTH BUILD NOT JUST HELPS US  
6 AS INDIVIDUALS BUT WE GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITIES. WE'RE A  
7 PARTNER WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY AND WE'RE ALL ABOUT GIVING  
8 BACK TO OUR COMMUNITY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO KERRY  
11 GUTIERREZ? RICK SOLIS, JR.? ZULEYMA RIVERA? JESSICA MARTINEZ?  
12 MATT KILLIAN? ERIC MARISCAL? DONOVAN JOHNSON? ANNABELLA  
13 MAZARIEGOS? MELLO DESIRE? YES, MA'AM.

14

15 **EVELYN JIMENEZ:** HI, HELLO, MY NAME IS EVELYN JIMINEZ. THANK  
16 YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR HEARING US OUT. I'M HERE TO SPEAK UPON  
17 MYSELF AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS OF MINE AND FROM OTHER YOUTH  
18 BUILD SITES THAT WE'RE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND FOR MORE  
19 FUNDING BECAUSE I BELIEVE OUR PROGRAM NEEDS IT. NOT JUST TO  
20 FURTHER EDUCATION BUT ALSO TO GET JOB PLACEMENTS, TO HELP GET  
21 JOBS AND VOUCHERS FOR FOOD BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT OF US THAT  
22 ARE OUT IN THE STREET. AND WITH VOUCHERS, I THINK THAT WOULD  
23 BE A LOT OF HELP AND ALSO FOR LOW INCOME HOUSING BECAUSE THERE  
24 IS A LOT OF YOUTH OUT THERE. SO IF WE CAN JUST HAVE YOUR  
25 SUPPORT TO SUPPORT US WITH THAT, THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS MELLO DESIRE? JOHN WALSH? YES, SIR.

7

8 **SALVADOR ESPINOSA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS SALVADOR SPINOSA  
9 FROM C.C.E.O. YOUTH BUILD. I'M HERE TODAY ASKING FOR THE  
10 SUPPORT FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO HELP SUPPORT THIS  
11 PROGRAM. REASON BEING IS BECAUSE YOUTH BUILD HAS TOTALLY  
12 CHANGED MY LIFE IN A DRASTIC WAY. IT'S BEEN AMAZING, AMAZING  
13 EXPERIENCE. IT HAS HELPED ME SO MUCH. AND HONESTLY LIKE IF IT  
14 COULD CHANGE ONE PERSON AND THE PEOPLE THAT ARE BEHIND ME THAT  
15 ARE NEXT TO ME, IMAGINE WHAT KIND OF IMPACT IT CAN HAVE ON  
16 EVERYONE ELSE. YOUTH BUILD HAS GAVE ME SO MANY OPPORTUNITIES.  
17 I'VE LEARNED CONSTRUCTION. I'VE LEARNED AUTOMOTIVE  
18 ENGINEERING. I LEARNED COMPUTER ENGINEERING. IT'S GIVEN ME SO  
19 MANY IDEAS IN MY HEAD TO WHAT I PERSONALLY WANT TO HAVE A  
20 CAREER FOR THAT I NEVER KNEW I DID. AND YOUTH BUILD HAS  
21 SUPPORTED ME IN SO MANY OTHER WAYS, LIKE IN SO MANY PROBLEMS,  
22 PERSONAL PROBLEMS, SCHOOL PROBLEMS, STUFF THAT OTHER SCHOOLS  
23 DIDN'T DO FOR ME, NOT TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS, AND, YOU KNOW, IF  
24 YOUTH BUILD WAS TO KEEP ON GROWING, I'M PRETTY SURE OTHER

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1 YOUTH WOULD KEEP ON GROWING THEMSELVES AND KNOW A DIFFERENT  
2 CHANGE IN THEMSELVES.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IS CHRISTIAN  
5 WALKER? CHRISTIAN WALKER? DONNA PEARMAN? DONNA? YES, SIR.

6

7 **DAVID ANGEL FLORES:** HI, MAYOR, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS  
8 DAVID ANGEL FLORES. I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF I'M A GRADUATE  
9 FROM YOUTH BUILD NORWALK. AND EVER SINCE THEY HELPED ME OUT, I  
10 WAS OUT IN THE STREETS, YOU KNOW, WITH A LOT OF MY FRIENDS.  
11 LET'S JUST SAY WE WEREN'T DOING THE THINGS THAT GANG VIOLENCE  
12 AND DRUGS AND ALL THAT, YOU KNOW. A LOT OF MY FRIENDS WHO I'VE  
13 TALKED TO OR MENTIONED ALL THESE YOUTH BUILD PROGRAMS ABOUT,  
14 THEY'VE ALL HAD POSITIVE FEEDBACK FROM IT. ALL THESE PEOPLE  
15 BEHIND ME, EVERYONE THAT ARE IN THE STREETS, THEY'VE ALL HAVE  
16 THEIR OWN STORIES. SO I KNOW WE ALL HAVE FAMILY MEMBERS THAT  
17 HAVE PROBLEMS AND WHATNOT, BUT WHEN IT COMES TO YOUTH BUILD,  
18 THEY HELP US OUT. THEY COUNSEL. THEY CAN HELP US OUT IN EVERY  
19 WAY POSSIBLE. AND IF IT'S TALKING TO YOU PEOPLE HERE HELPS  
20 OUT, THEN I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. AND IF  
21 YOU CAN SUPPORT US IN DOING WHAT WE NEED TO DO HERE, THANK  
22 YOU.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. YES.

25

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1    **ANABELLA MAZARIEGOS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, GOOD AFTERNOON,  
2    LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS ANABELLA MAZARIEGOS, FROM  
3    OCCUPY LOS ANGELES, OCCUPY [INAUDIBLE] CLOSURES. I'VE COME TO  
4    REQUEST YOU TO TELL THE GRAND PARK ADMINISTRATORS THAT ON MAY  
5    DAY WHICH IS MAY 1ST TO HAVE THE INSIDE BATHROOMS OPEN. IT'S  
6    VERY IMPORTANT. BUT TWO OR THREE MONTHS AGO THERE WAS A RALLY  
7    FROM THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION AND THEY CLOSED THOSE  
8    BATHROOMS. I MYSELF I'M DISABLED. WE HAVE SENIORS, DISABLED  
9    AND CHILDREN. AND IT IS VERY UNCOMFORTABLE FOR US TO WALK ALL  
10   THE WAY UP TO THE FOUNTAIN OVER HERE ON GRAND BY THE  
11   STARBUCKS. IT IS VERY UNCOMFORTABLE. I MYSELF, I HAVE A MENTAL  
12   AND PHYSICAL DISABILITIES. AND I'M GERM PHOBIC. I CAN'T STAND  
13   THOSE PORTABLE POTTIES BECAUSE MORE THAN 15,000 PEOPLE,  
14   SOMETHING LIKE THAT. IT'S A MAY DAY COLLISION LABOR AND  
15   COMMUNITY. A LOT OF PEOPLE. I AM CONCERNED THEY ARE GOING TO  
16   CLOSE DOWN. ALSO IF THE SHERIFF WOULD NOT BOTHER THE PEOPLE ON  
17   MAY DAY PLEASE. THANK YOU.

18

19   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. HERSCHEL GRIMES? IS  
20   HERSCHEL HERE? IS ALONI BONILLA? YES. OKAY. YES.

21

22   **CHRISTIAN WALKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS CHRISTIAN WALKER AND TODAY  
23   IS NATIONAL YOUTH BUILD DAY. YOUTHBUILD IS AN ORGANIZATION  
24   THAT GIVES THE YOUNG A SECOND CHANCE TO GET A DIPLOMA. I FEEL  
25   LIKE WE'RE A FAMILY. AT FIRST I DIDN'T LIKE EDUCATION. BUT

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1 YOUTH BUILD MOTIVATED ME TO GET MY DIPLOMA. MY GRADES IMPROVED  
2 AND THANKS TO THIS SCHOOL, I'M GRADUATING THIS YEAR.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CONGRATULATIONS. WHERE ARE YOU  
5 GRADUATING FROM?

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7 **SPEAKER:** YOUTH BUILD IN LENNOX.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD. WHAT DO YOU WANT TO PURSUE?

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11 **SPEAKER:** FIRE FIGHTING.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD MAN. EAT THAT BROCCOLI. GOT TO BE  
14 STRONG. [LAUGHTER.] THANK YOU FOR TESTIFYING. MR. WALSH?

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16 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR  
17 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL OR TWEETING @HOLLYWOOD DEMS. IT'S ABOUT A  
18 QUARTER AFTER 3. I WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW THAT BERNIE, BERNIE  
19 SANDERS HAS ENTERED THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE. GO TO HELL,  
20 HILLARY! THE NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, MR. BERNIE  
21 SANDERS. AND IF YOU'D LIKE TO SEE A DEBATE TONIGHT BETWEEN  
22 CAROLYN RAMSEY AND DAVID RU, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS GO TO MY  
23 WEBSITE CASTLE ARGYLE 7 TO 9 P.M. APRIL 28TH AND YOU WILL HAVE  
24 A CHANCE TO ASK QUESTIONS TO DAVID RU, ASK QUESTIONS TO  
25 CAROLYN RAMSEY. THEY'RE RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY

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1 OF LOS ANGELES. BUT COME, ANYWAY. AND, REMEMBER, VOTE 2, 3, 4,  
2 MAYBE FIVE TIMES FOR THE NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,  
3 MR. BERNIE SANDERS. HOLLYWOOD HIGH LANDS.ORG.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HERMAN HERMAN.

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7 **DONNA PEARMAN:** WHAT ABOUT DONNA PEARMAN?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HOLD ON? NO, PASSING? RIGHT? NO,  
10 YOU'RE COMING. ARNOLD SACHS? AND WAYNE SPINDLER. YES, MISS  
11 PEARMAN.

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13 **DONNA PEARMAN:** MY NAME IS DONNA PEARMAN. SINCE THE NEW WAY OF  
14 DOING ELECTIONS, COUNTY AND CITY ELECTIONS ON THE EVEN YEARS,  
15 I WOULD ASK IF YOU COULD HELP, SINCE YOU HELP WITH THE COST OF  
16 THE ELECTIONS FOR CITY COUNCIL, LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL, I  
17 ASK IF YOU WOULD PLEASE HELP COSTS WITH THE LOS ANGELES CITY  
18 COUNCIL DOING VIDEO CONFERENCING IN VAN NUYES. COST SEEMS TO  
19 BE THE MAJOR PROBLEM. SO THE L.A. CITY COUNCIL IS NOT GIVING  
20 WHAT THEY PROMISED THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY WHEN WE DIDN'T  
21 SECEDE FROM L.A. ALSO WE COULD USE VIDEO CONFERENCING IN  
22 VALLEY FOR THE COUNTY MEETINGS. YOU COULD HAVE VIDEO  
23 CONFERENCE, SINCE YOU HAVE VIDEO CONFERENCING IN LANCASTER,  
24 WELL WHAT ABOUT THE 2 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE SAN FERNANDO  
25 VALLEY? YOU CAN MAKE IT AT THE SAME LOCATION IN TWO DIFFERENT

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1 AREAS. AND YOU CAN MAKE IT INEXPENSIVE LIKE YOU DO OVER THERE  
2 IN LANCASTER. 'CUZ PEOPLE IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY ARE MADE  
3 TO TAKE TWO HOURS' RIDE, CLOSER TO MORE THAN TWO HOURS IF YOU  
4 TAKE THE PUBLIC TRANSIT. SO IT'S NOT A.D.A.-COMPLAINT. MAKES  
5 THE DISABLED HARD TO COME DOWN HERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

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9 **ALANI BONILLA:** HI MY NAME IS ALANI BONILLA AND I WAS  
10 INTRODUCED TO THE YOUTH BUILD BACK WHEN I STARTED VOLUNTEERING  
11 AFTER A GRADUATED FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY OF LOS  
12 ANGELES. THEN I BECAME A PAID ORGANIZER WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE  
13 COALITION. AND NOW I'M THE NEW MATH AND SCIENCE TEACHER IN  
14 INGLEWOOD. I'M ABLE TO IMPLEMENT THE TYPE OF LEARNING STYLES  
15 AND OPPORTUNITIES THAT I WAS NEVER GIVEN, WHICH CONNECTS MATH  
16 AND SCIENCE TO ISSUES THAT DIRECTLY IMPACT MYSELF AND THE  
17 STUDENTS WE WORK WITH. TODAY WE HAVE A YOUTH BUILD DAY,  
18 RECOGNIZING OUR PROGRAM. AND WE HAD A YOUTH BUILD WEEK. BUT  
19 EVERY SINGLE DAY THAT I GO IN TO WORK, I TRY TO BUILD THE  
20 YOUTH THAT I WORK WITH. IT WOULD BE GREAT TO HAVE A SPACE NOT  
21 JUST ONE MINUTE OF PUBLIC COMMENT, IT WOULD BE GREAT TO HAVE  
22 AN ACTUAL AGENDA ITEM TO SPEAK ABOUT OUR VISION FOR WHAT 1  
23 PERCENT OF THE FUNDS THAT YOU ALL CONTROL THAT YOU GIVE TO THE  
24 L.A.P.D., THE COUNTY SHERIFF, ALL THE SUPPRESSION FUNDS THAT



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1 YOU GIVE TO SHARE OUR VISION OF WHAT THAT 1 PERCENT CAN BE  
2 USED TOWARDS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ZULEYMA RIVERA?

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6 **HERMAN HERMAN:** YOU HEARD YOUTH BUILD. WHY NOT GIVE THEM THE  
7 OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND AND GROW YOUNG MINDS, GREAT TEACHERS,  
8 INNOVATING AND CHANGING TIMES. BUT THEN AGAIN I'M IN FIRST  
9 DISTRICT OF MISS SOLIS, AND I HAVE A CONCERN REGARDING THE  
10 PATRIOT NEWSPAPER THERE IN REGARDS TO A BAD BUDGET WHERE YOU  
11 CAN'T AFFORD TO REPAIR, FIX DILAPIDATED CURB CUTS, RAMP CUTS,  
12 SIDEWALKS, INFRASTRUCTURE THAT IS A CONSTANT MAINTENANCE AND  
13 OBLIGATION BY THE CITY OF DOWNEY AND NORWALK TO IMPROVE  
14 PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AND WALKWAYS. BUT YET THE RENOVATION OF THE  
15 CORRIDORS LOOK GREAT, BUT WHAT ABOUT THE COMMUNITY? I DEMAND  
16 ACTION. I DEMAND SUPPORT. GET AHOLD OF THE MAYOR OF DOWNEY AND  
17 SAY, HEY, FIX YOUR BUDGET AND FIX THE SIDEWALK AND STREETS.  
18 IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF THE COMMUNITY AND OUR SAFETY. THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP BRANDON  
21 ESTRADA. MR. SACHS?

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23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS AND  
24 REALLY QUICK. WHEN YOU WERE DOING YOUR DENIM DEMONSTRATION  
25 THIS MORNING, I PULLED THIS ARTICLE OUT FOR A FEW PEOPLE TO

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1 READ ABOUT AN EX-JUDGE GETTING AN AWARD EVEN THOUGH HE  
2 SENTENCED A RAPIST TO 30 DAYS IN JAIL. SO MAYBE YOU COULD SEND  
3 HIM A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER. HE GOT AN AWARD FROM THE  
4 YELLOWSTONE AREA BAR ASSOCIATION. SO MAYBE YOU COULD SEND HIM  
5 A LETTER. BUT THIS IS ANOTHER ARTICLE I PULLED OUT FROM THE  
6 L.A. WATTS TIMES. IT'S A NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING  
7 METRO'S HALF CENT SALES TAX. PROP A AND PROP C. AND WHAT'S  
8 INTERESTING ABOUT IT IS THERE'S A \$50,000 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN  
9 THE REVENUES, BETWEEN PROPS A AND PROP C. BUT IT'S A HALF CENT  
10 SALES TAX. EACH ONE IS A HALF CENT. HOW CAN IT BE A \$50,000  
11 DIFFERENCE? AND WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR MEASURE R? AND THEN  
12 FINALLY THIS LITTLE NOTE OF COCHELLO. THIS IS A LAMPOONING  
13 OFFICE LIGHTS THEY PUT ON FACES. I WONDER IF WE COULD GET  
14 ELECTED OFFICIALS TO PUT ON PIGS HEADS.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

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18 **BRANDON ESTRADA:** MY NAME IS BRANDON ESTRADA I COME FROM  
19 C.C.E.O. YOUTH BUILD LENNOX, CALIFORNIA. I'M THANKFUL FOR YOU  
20 GUYS TO ACCEPT ME TODAY. WE'VE ALL COME FROM DIFFERENT YOUTH  
21 BUILDS AS YOUTH BUILDS AS FAR AS FROM FRESNO CAME TODAY TO  
22 COME FROM NATIONAL YOUTH BUILD DAY. WE ALSO HAD A GOOD TIME  
23 CONCERNING MY EXPERIENCE HERE WITH YOUTH BUILD. YOUTH BUILD  
24 HAS SUPPORTED ME A LOT. IT'S GIVEN ME A LOT OF HELP. AND IT'S  
25 GIVEN PEOPLE LIKE ME A SECOND CHANCE TO GO GET THEIR LIVES

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1 RIGHT BACK STARTED. AND I'M ALSO GRATEFUL FOR THE PERSON WHO  
2 CREATED YOUTH BUILD, WHICH IS A WOMAN, DOROTHY STONEMAN. AND  
3 THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN EXISTING HERE AT YOUTH IN CALIFORNIA  
4 SINCE 1993. AND I WANT THIS PROGRAM TO BE HELPED. IT NEEDS  
5 HELP. IT NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT CONSIDERING THAT IT CAN HELP MORE  
6 OF US SPREAD AND GROW AS THE WORKFORCE THESE DAYS.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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10 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT  
11 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
12 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS  
13 NO. CS-1 AND CS-2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL  
14 COUNCIL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ITEM NO.  
15 CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS SACHI HAMAI AND  
16 DESIGNATED STAFF AND ITEM NO. CS-4 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE  
17 EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL  
18 AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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1           **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION APRIL 28, 2015**

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5       No reportable action was taken in items CS-1, CS-3 or CS-4.

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7       CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
8       (Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code section  
9       54956.9) Significant exposure to litigation (one case) (13-  
10      3024)

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12      The Board authorized settlement by the County and Sheriff's  
13      Department with the United States Department of Justice in a  
14      dispute alleging discriminatory law enforcement practices in  
15      the Antelope Valley. The details of the settlement will be  
16      made available once finalized by all parties.

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18      The vote of the Board was 4-1 with Supervisors Solis, Kuehl,  
19      Knabe and Antonovich voting aye, and Supervisor Ridley-Thomas  
20      voting no.

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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number  
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do  
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los  
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors April 28, 2015,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to  
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by  
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 1st  
16 day of May 2015, for the County records to be used only for  
17 authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts  
18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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